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MARGINAL COLUMN

By Patrick O'Donovan

THERE is no political figure in the world as firmly seated as President Eisenhower and no elected one as immune from criticism. His eminence cannot seriously be explained by any astounding triumph or great reform worked at home or abroad. His nation has its reasonable share of political difficulties. Its farmers are dissatisfied; its negroes are in polite revolt; its Southern whites are bitterly opposed to the tenor of the country; its foreign policy limps in faint pursuit of its antagonists. But Eisenhower remains serene and untouched; even these antagonists hesitate to slander him. He does not play the great man. There is nothing Messianic about that slight, open-air figure. Yet he is the undisputed arbiter, the father figure and—you notice it with a start of recognition—very nearly the constitutional monarch.

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MR. Eisenhower has changed the nature of the office to which he was elected. He has brought it closer than it has ever been before to the British style. In the American system all responsibility and power in government rests on one man—the President. In theory the Cabinet members are only his advisers, responsible to the President alone, with no group responsibility. The President has no obligation to call Cabinet meetings. But Eisenhower has carefully handed out his functions and developed his powers until the real exercise of authority lies in his Cabinet, in the National Security Council and in the special agencies attached to the Presidency. His powers, of course, are unchanged in law, but this President chooses hardly to rule at all; he retains for himself "the right to be consulted, the right to encourage, the right to warn"—which is part of the classical definition of the constitutional monarchy.

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THERE have been other strong cabinets in American history, but always under weak and ineffective Presidents like Pierce or Buchanan. President Roosevelt strove to be himself master of every problem and was jealous of devolved power. President Truman thought it his duty to consume all his days in work and much of his nights in reading, in a heroic attempt to keep abreast of his office. President Eisenhower has not thought it necessary to copy them. At a height of popularity and with personal authority unique in his country's history, he has chosen to decentralize and delegate, and make his Ministers his colleagues. As the Secretary of the Treasury, George Humphrey, once said: "The President is always quick to jump in with a suggestion. He almost never jumps in with a decision." On his new Olympian height, the President is above the hurly-burly of politics and also the day-to-day decisions by which ordinary politicians are judged. His Press conferences are easy and uncontroversial. He displays positive anger if pressed on a thorny issue or dragged too far into vital controversy. He has been careful not to be involved in controversial domestic issues, like the quelling of McCarthy or the non-compliance of the white South with the law. He behaves, in fact, with the well-considered inaction proper to a wise constitutional monarch.

Washington, April 25.

The Jerusalem Post

The Jerusalem Post will not appear tomorrow, the First of May. The next issue of the paper will be on Wednesday, May 2.

Serious Revolt Breaks Out In Cuban Interior

HAVANA, Sunday (UP). — Serious revolutionary disorders have broken out in the interior of Cuba, it was reported today. Heavily armed police cars have been sent from the Capital to quell the outbreak in Matanzas, a key rail, highway and port centre about 100 kilometres east of here.

Fragmentary reports from the scene of the fighting said that ten of the rebels, all attired in blue shirts and grey pants, had been killed in a fruitless attempt to take the Matanzas garrison by surprise. An unknown number were said to have taken refuge in private homes and were exchanging shots with troops patrolling the streets.

Military intelligence agents in Havana took former President Carlos Prio Socarras into custody, presumably as a precautionary measure.

Cypriots Demand Makarios' Return

NICOSIA, Sunday (Reuter).—Cyprus church and commercial leaders today called for the return of Archbishop Makarios, head of the Cypriot movement for union with Greece, from Exile in the Seychelles Islands.

Bishop Anthimos of Kitium, now senior Greek Bishop in Cyprus, held his congregation at Limassol Cathedral that Makarios was the only man who could negotiate on the Cyprus problem. In Nicosia, the Cyprus Federation of Trade and Industry passed a resolution calling for the Archbishop's return as "a first step for the return of normalcy to the island."

The English language newspaper, the "Times of Cyprus," today suggested that Britain should draft a constitution based on points on which agreement had been reached with the Archbishop. If this secured public co-operation, there would be no need to keep Makarios in custody, the paper said.

The town of Larnaca was still under curfew today following the daylight murder yesterday of 62-year-old Greek Cypriot journalist, Oddyseas Wideson, believed to have been listed by terrorists as an "informer." Armed soldiers escorted the coffin of the terrorist victim to the cemetery, as an intensive hunt went on for his killer.

Moroccans Free French Colonel

RABAT, Sunday (Reuter). — A French colonel, P. Masurier, kidnapped three days ago in Oujda by five Moroccans, has been released, French officials reported today. The French High Commissioner in Morocco, M. Andre Dubois, and Sultan Mohammed Ben Yussef had worked together to obtain his release.

Rebel activity continued in neighbouring Algeria. In the Souman Valley last week-end, 15 bodies were discovered where rebels had massacred over 120 Moslems faithful to France. Rebel bodies were also found in the valley, believed to have died in clashes between rival gangs.

The dead man was shot in the back yesterday after surviving two other murder attempts in the past 8 months.

Goldmann: E. Europe Jews Face Extinction

By MOSHE LEVIN, Jerusalem Post Reporter

While East European countries are not anti-Semitic, their policies toward the Jewish minorities are equal to a death sentence over those communities and "in another generation or two it is possible that three million Jews will be wiped out," Dr. Nahum Goldmann warned the 24th Zionist Congress in Jerusalem last night.

"Generally speaking the East European countries cannot be accused of anti-Semitism. But the Jewish problem does not depend on how many Jews are killed, or whether their economic conditions are good. The question is one of Jewish living.

"These countries have an egalitarian policy that can lead to the destruction of the Jewish minority. Without Jewish schools, without contact with other Jews, without Zionism which is still considered counter-revolutionary — despite the egalitarianism — the death sentence on the Jewish communities is a fact.

"*De facto* this situation is discriminatory. Other minorities have their rights, their cultures, their languages. But the Jews are not concentrated in one territory, and for this reason they are excluded," Dr. Goldmann declared in what was probably the most impassioned address delivered to the Congress since it was convened last Tuesday.

He said that this was not the brutal anti-Semitism practised by Nazi Germany, but it was still a great crime, for it could mean the eradication of three million Jews.

Appeal for Survival

"It is our solemn right and solemn duty to ask the Governments of the East European states, especially of the Soviet Union, to make it possible for the Jewish communities in that part of the world to exist and survive.

"There is no fundamental conflict between such demands and the basic principles of the social regime of these countries and the best proof of it is that in the early days of the Soviet regime, in Soviet Russia under Lenin, many of these demands were met and there was a flourishing of Yiddish literature, art and theatre."

Dr. Goldmann expressed gratification over the resumption of emigration to Israel from East Europe, however sparse, and he welcomed news of the release of some Rumanian Zionist leaders from incarceration. He hoped that they would be allowed to come to Israel and that others still in jail would be released.

President Ben-Zvi, Prime Minister Ben-Gurion, Foreign Minister Sharett, and other members of the Government were among the more than 3,000 persons who repeatedly applauded Dr. Goldmann's address.

Turning to the American scene, the Chairman of the Jewish Agency in New York, called Jewish life in the U.S. "a beautiful facade."

Where the Jews are physically secure they are nonetheless imperilled by natural processes of assimilation. He particularly deplored the status of American Jewry whose material wealth and philanthropic generosity were a facade "concealing a relative inadequacy in Jewish spiritual" creative energy.

In opening his speech, Dr. Goldmann, speaking Yiddish, said that the debate which was now to begin on the position of the Jews in the world and the organization of the Zionist movement was the most important of all; Zionist history would depend on what this Congress accomplished in this respect. And if it accomplished nothing, he indicated, it could result in the movement's decay.

He said he was "terrified" by what he saw happening to Jewish life in the Diaspora. No parallel period in Jewish history has been so threatened by the satisfaction and complacency of Jewry in the dispersion.

Their greatest enemy, Hitler, had been defeated, and their greatest dream, Israel, had come true. Brutal anti-Semitism had disappeared, and even anti-Semites were today camouflaging their sentiments with sweet statements.

Temporary Situation

But, said Dr. Goldmann, this was a temporary situation, and Zionism had always grasped the long-term view.

"There is no cause to feel secure," he stated bluntly. The situation in Morocco and Tunis, for example, might be better now than what it was feared they might be, but no one knew how long this would last in view of the national renascence in those countries.

Jews must not only think of their physical safety, but of living Jewish lives.

Turning to what he considered to be the most vital of all questions for the Zionist movement — reorganization and revitalization — Dr. Goldmann warned that the movement must either keep up with history, adapt itself to new conditions, or it would have no reason for existing: "It will die of arteriosclerosis."

He called for the inclusion in the Organization of non-Zionists who "don't give less than we Zionists do."

There must be a "radical transformation" of the party system, and here he put forth his plan for a territorial federation. He demanded that the Zionist Congress impose this plan which would permit any Jewish organization to affiliate with the Zionist Organization as long as it adhered to the Zionist platform.

Dr. Goldmann also had a word of criticism for Israel which he said could have cooperated more fully with the Zionist Organization.

In his concluding words he declared, "Zionism cannot rest on its laurels because 30 years ago it made a prediction that came true."

The debate on reorganization and Jewish life in the Diaspora, which is expected to be the most controversial of the Congress, begins this morning.

Congress Calls For Redress Of Arms Imbalance

Jerusalem Post Reporter

The political and security affairs discussion of the 24th World Zionist Congress, meeting in emergency session in Jerusalem, was brought to a formal close last night with the reading to the plenary of a resolution adopted unanimously by the Political Commission. The resolution follows Government policy.

It was read to the Congress by Dr. S. Levenberg (England), Chairman of the Commission.

The Congress noted the Arab threat to Israel's existence and regarded the "refusal of the Great Powers to recognise Israel's fundamental right to arms for self-defence as morally and political indefensible."

Threat to World Peace

It demanded that the imbalance of arms be speedily redressed, and saw the danger which faced Israel as a "grave threat to the peace of the world."

"In this crucial hour we call upon all nations and men of good-will to support Israel in the struggle for its very survival."

It said that Israel did not expect other nations to fight for it, "but rightfully demands that it be provided with adequate weapons to enable its sons and daughters to defend their country and its sovereignty."

The Congress expressed its "belief and faith in the necessity and possibility of lasting peace between the Arab peoples and the people of Israel. There must be no imposed settlement. Peace must be achieved by an agreement freely reached between Israel and the Arab States."

Indissoluble Bond

In conclusion it proclaimed the "indissoluble and historical bond between the Jewish people and the land of Israel."

It called upon Jews everywhere to fulfil their responsibility towards the State by rallying to its support and by mobilising the fullest measure of devotion and strength for its well-being and security.

"In this hour every Jew is called upon to do his duty. Almighty God will stand by His people."

Several days of discussions were given to the original draft which was finally cut by about half. It is understood that the Herut faction took exception to certain wordings, but compromise was finally reached and unanimity achieved.

French Hold Two Gov't Officials as Spies

PARIS, Sunday (Reuter). — Foreign Ministry officials here today confirmed the arrest of two Ministry employees on charges of spying for Hungary.

They said that the man, who formerly worked for the French Legation in Budapest, were Jean Joseph Philip, 31, and Roger Dubois, 28.

They are charged with "interference with the external security of the state," France's official name for espionage.

Justice Ministry sources said last night that the men were alleged to have had intelligence with the Hungarian authorities while Dubois was serving as Press Attache and Philip as cipher clerk at the Budapest Legation last year. Philip was arrested in the Saar and Dubois in Paris at Easter.

Justice Ministry sources said that the two were arrested by the Hungarians in Budapest last year on charges of smuggling jewellery.

Israel Soldier, Settler Killed In 2 Incidents Along Gaza Strip

Egyptians Return Mauled Body

An Israel settler and soldier were killed and two soldiers seriously wounded along the Gaza Strip border yesterday. The gravity with which Israel views the fresh outbreak of incidents was indicated by the fact that Mr. Moshe Sharett, the Foreign Minister, dispatched a note yesterday to the U.N. Secretary-General, Mr. Dag Hammarskjold, who is conferring in Cairo, drawing his attention to the murderous Egyptian attacks.

Infiltrators from the Gaza Strip, aided by Egyptian soldiers, kidnapped Roy Rothberg, 20, a member of Kibbutz Nahal Oz, early yesterday morning. Rothberg's mutilated body was returned to Israel in the afternoon by the senior Egyptian delegate to the Israel-Egyptian Mixed Armistice Commission in the presence of U.N. observers, the Foreign Ministry announced last night. His eyes had been gouged out and his hands bore signs of mutilation. The settler had been shot at very close range.

Later in the morning, an Israel military vehicle struck a mine in Israel territory along the border. One soldier was killed and two others gravely wounded, the Army spokesman announced.

Tracks to Border

According to evidence collected yesterday afternoon by the M.A.C., in which U.N. observers and Israel delegates participated, infiltrators from the Gaza Strip penetrated 250 to 300 kms. into Israel early yesterday morning to harvest the crop on the fields of Kibbutz Nahal Oz. They were covered by Egyptian soldiers.

A member of the kibbutz, mounted on horseback, spotted them and rode up to chase them off. He was attacked, thrown from the horse and dragged, bleeding, across the border. The fact that the attack occurred on Israel territory and his body was pulled across the border was shown by blood-stained tracks which led to the Gaza Strip frontier and beyond. The settler's glasses and wristwatch were found on Israel territory.

Israel has demanded an emergency meeting of the M.A.C. to discuss the incident.

The Israel soldier was killed and his two companions gravely wounded when their military vehicle struck a mine on a road 10 kms. south of Nir Yitzhak. The vehicle was destroyed.

M.A.C. investigators called to the spot found the burnt-out vehicle and that the road had been inspected for mines only the day before (Saturday), when none were found. It was emphasized that the attack took place deep inside Israel territory.

Gaza Infiltrators Grow Bolder

Jerusalem Post Reporter

REHOVOT, Sunday. — Emboldened by the cease-fire, infiltrators lately have come to harvest Nahal Oz crops openly by daylight. Roy Rothberg used to drive them away every morning. At 6.20 a.m. today he went out on horseback. Some distance from the settlement and about 200 metres this side of the Demarcation Line, a group of *fellaheen* were busy harvesting, with a group of Egyptian soldiers, including an officer, standing nearby.

Two shots were heard in the *kibbutz*. The settlers who went to inquire saw the Egyptians taking somebody on a stretcher across the border.

U.N. observers were on the spot about half-an-hour after the incident.

At about 2 p.m., guests began to arrive in Nahal Oz for the four weddings scheduled for today. The marriage ceremonies were transferred to Moshav Gila, but there were no celebrations.

The funeral will be held in Nahal Oz tomorrow at 3 p.m.

Rothberg leaves behind a wife and daughter. His parents live in Tel Aviv, where he was born.

A Reuter report yesterday quoted Egyptian authorities in Gaza as saying that an Israel policeman was killed in a clash with an Egyptian army patrol. The "policeman" was said to have crossed the truce line in the Gaza area while chasing Arab farmers working nearby and to have been killed in an exchange of fire with the patrol.

Marauders Blow Up Well in Lachish Area

Infiltrators yesterday morning blew up a well at Amazia, in the Lachish area.

The previous night 60 bales of hay and irrigation pipes were stolen from the moshav. Police found tracks leading to the Jordan border.

Jordan Retiring 10 More British Officers

The contracts of ten more British officers in the Arab Legion expire at the end of this month, "Falastin," the Old City daily, reported yesterday. The officers will leave for the U.K. shortly after their service ends, the paper added.

Syria, Lebanon Consult On U.N. Chief's Jordan R. Stand

Reports from the capitals of Lebanon and Syria yesterday confirmed that the U.N. Secretary-General, Mr. Dag Hammarskjold, currently in Cairo, has informed the Arab leaders that he did not see eye to eye with them on the question of Israel's Jordan River diversion scheme.

In Damascus, the Jordan River question was the main topic in a number of meetings among Syrian statesmen yesterday. According to the Arab News Agency the Syrian Premier and Foreign Minister, Said Ghazi, consulted with Defence Minister Rashad Barmada and senior Foreign Ministry officials, calling in the senior Syrian M.A.C. delegate, Major Bakri Kutrash.

After the meeting was over, Ghazi discussed the problem with the Egyptian Ambassador, Brigadier Mahmoud Riad. In the afternoon, the Director-General of the Syrian Foreign Ministry was despatched hurriedly to Beirut for consultations with Lebanese Foreign Minister Salim Lahoud.

On official communique issued last night in Damascus stated that Mr. Hammarskjold's mission could not possibly be crowned with success if he did not recognize as final the 1953 Security Council decision forbidding Israel to continue her Jordan River irrigation project. (No such decision, in fact, was ever taken by the Council.)

The communique also confirmed earlier reports according to which the Arab governments were working at top speed to amend their attitude on the Jordan question and come to some unified approach. ANA added that it was learned in Beirut late last night that the Lebanese Government has pledged itself to support whatever stand Syria should see fit to adopt on the question.

Meanwhile, informed sources in Cairo said last night that Egypt had reached "full agreement in principle" with Mr. Hammarskjold on measures to preserve border peace. According to U.P., the U.N. Secretary-General and Egyptian Foreign Minister Mahmoud Fawzi met twice yesterday to draft the final text of a cease-fire agreement which would stipulate the withdrawal of Egyptian and Israel forces 500 metres from the border.

Mr. Hammarskjold was to have conferred with Premier Abdul Nasser last night and is flying to Israel today.

Cabinet Discusses Security Situation

The security situation, including the latest border incidents, was reviewed by Prime Minister Ben-Gurion at yesterday's Cabinet meeting.

Foreign Minister Moshe Sharett reported on high-level diplomatic talks held last week in Israel and abroad on the Middle East problems. The main questions discussed at these talks were the arms question, the Hammarskjold mission and the significance of the announcement of the Soviet Foreign Ministry.

The Cabinet also discussed the proposal of the Habimah Theatre that it be given the status of a state Theatre.

At the suggestion of the Minister of Education, Mr. Z. Aranne, a public committee was appointed to discuss the organizational and financial position of Habimah and its proposed status.

The committee is composed of the writers, Haim Hazaz and Yitzhak Shenhar; Mr. H. Halpern, Director of the Agricultural Bank; Prof. A. Katchalsky; and Mr. H. Krongold.

Economic Advisory Council

The Government decided to reactivate the Economic Advisory Council, which ended its activities last July.

Like its predecessor, the Committee will be headed by Mr. P. Naphtali, Minister without Portfolio. The other members of the committee have not yet been named. They will represent the various economic circles, but will be appointed as individuals.

The Council's authority is primarily advisory, and its conclusions serve as guidance to Government departments in their work.

The official communique stated: The Cabinet at its weekly meeting yesterday heard reviews by the Prime Minister and the Foreign Minister in the areas of security and foreign relations.

It was decided to renew the activity of the Economic Advisory Council.

It was decided to appoint a committee to examine the situation and the status of the Habimah Theatre.

Mr. Y. Arnon was appointed chairman of the Development Authority and a member of the Petroleum Board.

Knesset's Summer Term Opens May 8

The regular summer term of the Knesset will begin next Tuesday, May 8, at 4 p.m., the Presidium decided yesterday.

The first item on the agenda is the second and third readings of the Defence Tax Law.

Eden Inviting Nasser Cairo Paper Claims

CAIRO, Sunday (Reuter). — The Egyptian daily, "Al Akhbar," said today that Sir Anthony Eden had decided to invite Egyptian Premier Colonel Nasser to visit Britain.

The British Embassy said tonight that they knew nothing of such a report.

Turks Seize Israel Fishing Trawler

HAIFA, Sunday. — The fishing trawler, Kadimah, owned by the Edwa cooperative, was seized by a Turkish warship 16 kilometres off the Turkish coast on Wednesday night, according to reports received here.

The vessel, her Master Yosef Neuman, and her crew of six were ordered to sail into Alexandretta. The Turkish ship kept up rifle and machinegun fire over the heads of the fishermen, while escorting them to port.

At Alexandretta, 200 cases of fish the Kadimah had caught were unloaded and confiscated.

Fishing by Israel trawlers off the Turkish coast, even outside territorial waters, has led to several incidents during the past few years. About six months ago the trawler, Carmel, was seized and confiscated and her crew kept in jail for two months.

Eshkol Outlines $1,000m. Plan For Immigration, Development

A four-year plan for colonization and development envisaging the resettlement in Israel of some 250,000 new immigrants and calling for an expenditure of $1,000m. was presented to the 24th World Zionist Congress last night by the Finance Minister, Mr. Levi Eshkol.

Possible sources to finance the implementation of this plan were listed by Mr. Eshkol as follows:

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a) Government sources	Ils. IL.
1. Reparations	540
2. Grants and Loans	134
3. Government Internal Bonds	140
4. Other Loans (National Insurance, Taxes, Development Authority)	140
b) From World Jewry	
1. United Jewish Appeal	300
2. Bond Drive	200
3. Private Capital	250
Total	1,154m. ($1,000m.)

Speaking as a member of the Jewish Agency Executive and head of the Settlement Department, Mr. Eshkol stated that the estimated average cost required to settle a family on the land is between IL.24,000-IL.25,000.

The four-year plan will advance Israel towards economic independence, Mr. Eshkol said. The projects, besides providing for the settlement and absorption of some quarter of a million newcomers, are expected to reduce to half the gap in the current trade balance, which amounts to IL. 300m. yearly.

"The figures (on immigration) I have cited are to be regarded as being of a guiding nature only, not fixed figures," he said, "because the stress of Jewish persecution in some countries, and the relaxation of Soviet policy and Jewish emigration from countries in the Soviet orbit, may bring us face to face with the obligation to bring here, in the immediate future, 100,000 immigrants per year."

Mr. Eshkol stated that the immigrants from the Soviet orbit now coming to Israel in sparse numbers may be regarded as "first swallows," giving hope that "perhaps the day is at hand when not only aged people," but also "young

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East Germans Wooing Bonn's Socialists into 'Popular Front'

BERLIN, Sunday (Reuter).—The East German Government and Communist Party have begun an all-out campaign to woo West German Social Democrats into a "popular front."

The new campaign began this week with the release of an unspecified number of Social Democrats from East German jails. The action was preceded by the release of three prominent former Social Democrats who co-operated with the Communists. The most important was former Minister of Justice Max Fechner, who was purged after the riots of June 17, 1953, because he publicly advocated the right to strike and condemned arrests without warrant and long detention without trial.

East German Premier Otto Grotewhol said at a student rally last night that there were "many points of contact" between the Communist and Social Democratic Parties who, for the sake of Germany, must form a common front against the rebirth of militarism and Nazism.

In Stuttgart, West Germany, meanwhile, Chancellor Konrad Adenauer was overwhelmingly re-elected Chairman of the ruling Christian Democratic Party at last night's session of the annual party congress. But an unprecedented division occurred when rank and file members forced Dr. Adenauer to accept a deputy he did not want—Karl Arnold, left-wing ex-premier of North Rhine-Westphalia province.

Routine business of the three-day-old congress was broken off expectedly last night when leaders of local party organizations decided to tell Dr. Adenauer that they were determined to have four vice-Presidents instead of the two he favoured.

Russia has notified West Germany that she is prepared to help in settling the problem of the repatriation of German nationals said to remain in Soviet territory, Moscow Radio reported today.

The Radio said that the Soviet Government in a note handed to the West German Embassy in Moscow on April 27 had acknowledged receipt of a list of German nationals who allegedly wished to return to West Germany from Soviet hostages.

Civil War Threat Delayed Attack on Stalin Cult

BERLIN, Sunday (Reuter).—The East German Prime Minister, Otto Grotewohl, said in a speech published today that an attack on the Stalin cult when it first arose could have led to civil war in the Soviet Union.

Speaking to students in East Berlin, Premier Grotewohl listed this among reasons why the Stalin cult was not nipped in the bud and why the present time had been chosen to destroy it.

"Many of the things were not known to the leaders then (when the cult started)," he said. "Much of what they knew could not be changed then, because war was coming to the Soviet Union and discussion of these questions then would inevitably have caused serious damage to the Soviet state, with unforeseeable consequences.

"To have brought up these questions then, before real consolidation of the Party in the Leninist spirit had ... achieved, could have led to civil war in the Soviet Union, presenting open flanks to the Fascist aggressor."

This is believed to be the first time a leading Communist has explained publicly why the Stalin cult was not smothered earlier.

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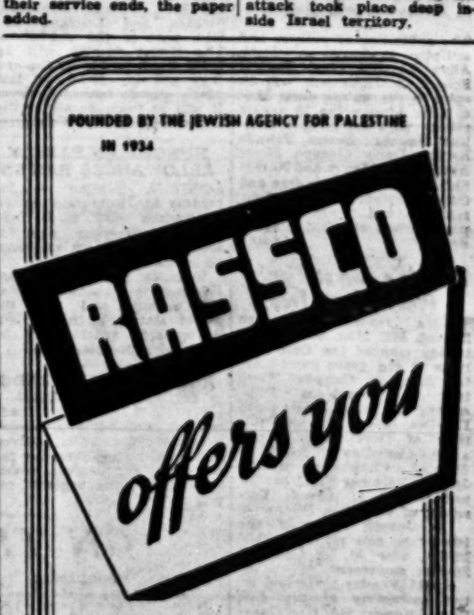

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Social & Personal

Chief Rabbi Yitzhak Nissim, Rishon LeZion, last night held a reception at his home in Jerusalem for Rabbi David de Sola Pool, Rabbi of New York's Spanish-Portuguese Synagogue, and Mrs. de Sola Pool; Rabbi Shlomo Rodrigues Pereira, Chief Rabbi of the Sephardic Community in Holland and Europe, and Mrs. Pereira; Rabbi Eliahu Toaff, Chief Rabbi of Rome, and Rabbi Abraham M. Fingerhut, Chief Rabbi of Algiers. Present were the President and Justices of the Supreme Court, the Hebrew University President, members of the Supreme Rabbinic Court, the Minister of Posts, the Netherlands Minister, the Jerusalem District Commissioner, Knesset Members, Jewish Agency Executive members, Rabbi Maimon, Rabbi Toledano and leading members of Israel's Sephardi community.

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The Israel-British Commonwealth Association (Jerusalem Branch) gave a reception at the Israel Touring Club last night for the British Commonwealth delegation to the Zionist Congress, including Mr. Barnett Janner, M.P., and Mr. Sidney Silverman, M.P. Among the guests were the British Ambassador and Lady Nicholls, the Canadian Chargé d'Affaires, Mr. George Kidd, and the British Consul and Mrs. Wilson.

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Members of the Study Group on Problems of Individual and Group Settlement now visiting Israel under the auspices of the F.A.O. and the Ministry of Agriculture were guests at a reception and dinner given in their honour by General Y. Dori, President of the Technion, Israel Institute of Technology, on Saturday evening. On Sunday morning, the group visited the new campus at Technion City.

A reception for Jewish National Fund leaders from many countries, here for the Zionist Congress, was held in the home of Dr. and Mrs. Avraham Granott on Saturday evening. Among the guests were Mr. and Mrs. Yosef Sprinzak, Dr. and Mrs. Israel Goldstein, Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Halprin, Dr. and Mrs. H. Levine.

The Habimah Theatre last night revived "Hostages," by Emanuel Robles, at a performance sold out to military personnel. The main parts were taken by Mr. S. Finkel, Mr. A. Meskin, and Miss Miriam Zohar.

Carlo Maria Giulini, Musical Director of La Scala, arrived on Saturday for a 4-week stay. He will conduct the 9th Subscription Concert of the Israel Philharmonic Orchestra opening in Tel Aviv on Thursday.

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Maitre André Blumel, Barrister at the Cour de Paris, will speak on "Justice et Police" at 6 o'clock tonight at the Centre de Culture Française, Jerusalem. Mr. Marcel Laforge, French Consul-General in Jerusalem, will preside.

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The exhibition of painter and sculptor graduates of Youth Aliya at the New Bezalel School in Jerusalem will be open to the public until May 4, 1956. Among the 12 artists taking part are Avigdor Arikha, Naphtali Bezem, Yehuda Bacon, Dodo (Joseph Shenhav), Joseph Stern and Naomi Shindler. Entrance is free and the exhibition is open daily from 10 a.m.-1 p.m. and 4-6 p.m. (closed on Friday afternoon). *(Advt.)*

Canada's Oldest Zionist Plants First Tree

The veteran Canadian Zionist, Mr. Max Miller, yesterday planted the first saplings in the grove named after him, in Canada Wood in the Jerusalem Hills. Among the many guests were Dr. Dov Joseph, former Minister of Development; (and an ex-Canadian); Rabbi C. Bender, Chairman of the Jewish National Fund in Canada; Mrs. L. Riven, President of Canadian Hadassah.

Dr. Joseph spoke of the important role played by Mr. Miller, now 81, in Canada's Zionist movement.

Rabbi Bender remarked on the suitability of the day, Lag Ba'omer, for the planting of trees, and how fitting it is that the oldest Zionist in Canada should be honoured by the first wood in the Canada Forest.

The greetings of Dr. A. Granott, Chairman of the J.N.F. Board of Directors, were read by Mr. E. Marton.

Mr. Miller said the *Shehehiyanu* blessing before planting the saplings, in his and his late wife's names.

HOTEL HAS GUESTS THOUGH UNFINISHED

Jerusalem Post Reporter

The Kings Hotel, the capital's latest addition to the ranks of first class hotels, is accommodating guests and delegates of the Zionist Congress, although only 30 of its 80 rooms are completed.

The management hopes to finish the other rooms soon.

At present, the hotel provides all services except a restaurant.

Mayor Agron yesterday visited the hotel and was received by the owner, Mr. David Amit.

Men Against Mice

By YA'ACOV ARDON

HAIFA, Sunday. — Science is about to rid Israel farmers of the costly scourge of field mice. Tests of a new method of warfare undertaken by the Ministry of Agriculture's Plant Protection Department have been sensationally successful.

Farmers will henceforth be spared not only the enormous direct damage, but also the cost of the large labour force needed for putting poisoned wheat grains into every mouse hole several times a year. That method killed at the most 65 per cent of the rodents, leaving enough to multiply so fast as to make the effort virtually ineffective.

Last year, a member of Huliot, in the Hula Valley, noticed unusually large swarms of birds of prey above a kibbutz field. As he went his way, he also found many snakes moving rapidly towards the field. There he found thousands of mice dead or dying, an easy prey for the birds and snakes. The crop had just been sprayed with "Emulsion No. 9," a product of the chemical works of Dr. A. W. Meron in Haifa, for use against harmful beetles.

Observations Tally

The Huliot man's observation tallied with one made by the Hazera Seedgrowers Cooperative which found that beetles and mice no longer infested their fields after dusting with "Emulsion No. 9." The active agent of this substance, toxaphene, has been successfully used in California against smaller mice, Dr. M. Vermes, Plant Protection entomologist, read in an American report. The head of the Department's anti-rodent section, Mr. Y. Naftali, initiated large-scale tests with "Emulsion No. 9," spread by planes, which resulted in the destruction of up to 94 per cent of the pest.

When a fortnight ago S.O.S. calls came from desperate Western Emek farmers on whose field mice had destroyed as much as half the crops, Dr. Meron ordered the raw material in Britain by phone. Through the co-operation of the Ministries of Finance and Agriculture, the Agricultural Centre, the Workers Bank, the Field Crop Workers Union and El Al, the material was flown to Lydda Airport in 72 hours. It was immediately processed into ten tons of "Emulsion No. 9" and sprayed daily by Chim-Avir planes over the stricken areas.

Unlike D.D.T. and other poisons, toxaphene sprays do not harm the fodder or milk, as it becomes ineffective after a short period. One dusting will make fields safe for an entire season. It will also save fields on which crops have already grown to a certain height, where the old poisoned grains method could not be applied.

Soviet 'Atomic Battery' To Be Shown in Sweden

GOTHENBURG, Sunday (UP). — A Soviet "Atomic Battery" — which transforms radioactive rays into electric power — will highlight the International Atomic Exhibition at Gothenburg on May 12-20.

Russian researchers have told Swedish experts that the development of this battery means a new era for the peaceful use of atomic energy, making it feasible for powering cars, buses and trains. The size of the new battery, expected to become the outstanding exhibit at the forthcoming show, is not known, but Swedish officials said that a full-scale model will be put on show.

Besides the Soviet Union, the U.S., France, Denmark, Sweden and England will take part in the exhibition. The Soviet display will be three times as big as the one they put on show at last year's atomic fair at Geneva. It will be twice as big as the U.S. exhibition at Gothenburg.

HUNGARIAN FAMILY ALLOWANCES RAISED

LONDON, Sunday — Increases in Hungarian family allowances and more food under a five-year plan for 1956-1960 have been announced in Budapest.

Budapest Radio said that Hungary would also mine her own uranium and start the power station in this period. A research reactor will be built with Russian help.

EAST GERMAN TRADE MISSION IN SUDAN

An East German trade mission of 20 persons, headed by a Deputy Premier, arrived in Khartoum on Saturday for extended negotiations there, the Arab News Agency reported.

Taxpayers Line Up To Get Reduction

Jerusalem Post Reporter

A steady stream of cash poured into the coffers of the Jerusalem Municipality yesterday as householders queued up to pay their rates before the end of the month in order to benefit from the 7½ per cent reduction. Today is the last day the reduction is offered and the Municipality has geared itself to do a rush business.

In addition to the two main offices, at Barclays Bank building, and at the Engineering Department in the former WIZO Babies Home in Rehov Akiva, which are open from 8.30 a.m. to 3 p.m. and from 5 to 7 p.m., three other offices accept money. They are at the Fire Brigade stations in Mahane Yehuda and the German Colony and in the Social Welfare Office in the Bokharan quarter and will be open today from 5 to 7 p.m.

Householders wishing to avoid queues can mail their cheques to the Municipality. If the postmark is dated April 30, they will receive the reduction. They can also make out postal cheques to the Municipality whose post office chequeing account number is 145.

Yesterday, special efforts were made to keep waiting down to a minimum. It was stated that queuers did not have to wait longer than 15-20 minutes to make their payments. During May, a five per cent reduction will be granted.

Tax-Exempt Plan For Some Savings

A plan to exempt from income tax the interest accumulating on savings deposited in specified banks has been worked out by the Advisory Committee of the Bank of Israel and submitted to the Ministry of Finance for approval.

The plan is aimed at encouraging savings, as well as to provide the framework of a basic plan which can be adopted by all banks. The banks and financial institutions are obligated to invest the savings in Government securities or in loans approved by the Bank of Israel.

Under the plan, a person can deposit a sum up to IL.2,000 and draw maximum interest as follows: if the money is deposited for three years, five per cent; four years, 5.5 per cent; five years 6 per cent.

The money can be withdrawn from the savings account upon 30 days prior notice, but if the money is withdrawn before three years are up, the interest will be subject to income tax.

USSR Industry Still Behind Capitalists

MOSCOW, Sunday (UP). — The Government recently announced the "significant fulfilment" of its fifth five-year plan, although industrial production still lags behind "the most advanced capitalist countries."

The announcement covered the period 1950-1955, and added additional details to production figures released earlier this year. It said that industrial production in 1955 increased 3.2 times over 1940, with consumer production twice what it was in 1940.

The report admitted that "shortcomings" still exist in agriculture resulting in "low yield and large losses" during the harvest of grain. The 1955 steel production was 45 million tons of steel, 33 million tons of iron, 391 million tons of coal and 71 million tons of oil, it said.

East-West Trade

GENEVA, Sunday (Reuter). — Financial experts of 21 European countries, the U.S. and Israel have completed work on the draft for multilateral compensation to ease the flow of East-West trade and payments.

THE TELEPHONE numbers of Defence Fund offices in Tel Aviv have been changed to 4693 and 4694.

'Wide Support For Israel in Parliament'

Jerusalem Post Reporter

Israel's position among members of the British Parliament of all parties was better today than ever before, Mr. Sidney Silverman, M.P., commented at a Press conference in Jerusalem yesterday. Mr. Silverman is attending the 24th Zionist Congress, his first, as a delegate of Mapam.

Mr. Silverman, in reply to questions, noted that many Arabs were studying in England, and some of them could be described as Progressives or Socialists who would work against feudal systems in their own countries.

Even among the most Progressive, however, there was intense fear and hatred of Israel, for they stubbornly believed that Israel was a beachhead of Western colonialism in the Middle East.

Mr. Silverman said that if there was going to be agreement on an embargo of arms to the Middle East, it would be only right to redress the imbalance first so that the aggressor country, which had been given all the arms, would not be in a superior position when the embargo went into effect.

He said he did not think that the Russian-British talks were conclusive on the Middle East, since France and the U.S. were absent.

This is Mr. Silverman's third visit to Israel. He returns to London in a week for a debate on his anti-capital punishment bill which is now before Parliament.

ANOTHER DEADLOCK IN WAGE TALKS

Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV, Sunday. — Deadlock again resulted in today's resumed meeting on wage claims between the Metal Workers Union and the Manufacturers Association. Both sides failed to agree and the Union called off a meeting scheduled for tomorrow.

The employers proposed to introduce a new wage scale which would hold out incentives for higher production, and which included their earlier suggestion of holding trade tests to determine grades. On passing them, it was said, workers would receive a wage increase in the neighbourhood of three to 10 per cent, as already offered, and perhaps more.

In order to offset claims that the tests would delay the increases, the employers offered to grant an intermediate rise of 3.7 per cent of the gross wage. The same increase was offered today to unskilled workers.

Union representatives flatly rejected the proposal, which they said could not serve as a basis for negotiations. They agreed to tests in certain cases, but not for the main body of workers because it was unnecessary. The intermediate rise was rejected out of hand as being ridiculously small for top grade workers.

Union leaders said tonight that they were waiting to hear from the Association. Should no new offer come, the Union will meet and probably decide on its final claims and bring them to individual employers.

Tomorrow, further rounds are to be held between the employers and the food and textile workers.

DRINKING FOUNTAIN IN CAPITAL'S PARK

Jerusalem Post Reporter

An outdoor drinking fountain was installed yesterday in the Municipal Garden in King George Avenue in Jerusalem.

The fountain has a refrigeration unit to keep the water cool and is the gift of Mrs. Deborah Dunkelman, of Chicago, Vice-President of the Vegetarian Society, in that city. Mrs. Dunkelman has expressed a desire to donate other fountains to other cities.

NEW ACQUISITIONS

TEL AVIV, Sunday. — The Ein Harod Museum has received the following new acquisitions through the offices of the American Fund for Israel Institutions: a library of art books collected by Mr. S. Broches of Boston; an oil painting, "Journey" by Adolph Gottlieb, donated by Mr. Samuel Kootz of New York; and an oil painting, "The Tailors" by Leon Garland, donated by the Leon Garland Foundation of Chicago.

PURGED E. GERMAN MINISTER PARDONED

BERLIN, Sunday (Reuter). — President Wilhelm Pieck of East Germany has announced that the former Justice Minister Max Fechner, purged in 1953, has been pardoned and released.

Eighty-eight persons were included in the release, the announcement added.

The East German authorities had never stated that Fechner had been tried or sentenced.

Villa Beats West Brom

By KEITH BEECHER

Aston Villa, the famous English football team, saved themselves by the skin of their teeth, in avoiding relegation from Division I of the English League, on goal average, with a 3-0 win at home over West Bromwich Albion on the last Saturday of the 1955-56 season.

Sheffield United, 3-1 losers at Tottenham, go down with Huddersfield Town, despite their 3-1 home win over Bolton Wanderers, as the Villa have a better goal average than Huddersfield.

The Smiths played their part in this final solution of Division I relegation problem, for Villa's outside left Smith netted two goals for his side in their win, and another Smith, 'Spurs' inside man netted his team's three goals in the Sheffield United loss.

The crucial promotion battle in Division II, where Sheffield Wednesday had already won the championship and promotion, and finished their schedule in the Division with a convincing 5-3 win over Lincoln City also was settled. At least 10 teams in this section have been in the running for promotion for the best part of the season, but the team which will now go up with the Wednesday, determined only in the last few weeks, will be Leeds United.

Leeds, followed a 2-0 mid-week win at Rotherham, with a 4-1 victory at Hull, against already doomed City, and snipped the runner-up position, in the Division, and promotion, in front of Liverpool. This culminated a fine season for the Yorkshire side, captained by John Charles who netted two goals in their win.

Leyton Orient, already assured of Division II play next season, after many a year, lost 3-1 at Bournemouth, but the result could not affect their promotion. In the Northern Section of Division III, Grimsby Town go up. The Town won 2-0 against Bradford, and although their rivals, Derby County also won 3-2 over Hartlepools, a loss at York during the week gave Grimsby a chance which they took.

Two Questions Left

Only two questions remain to be settled. Who will be runner-up to Manchester United in Division I, and who applies for re-election in Division III (South). Blackpool lost 2-1 to last year's champions, Chelsea, at Stamford Bridge, and finished with 49 points, but Wolverhampton Wanderers, who beat Sunderland, 3-1, have 48 and a game to play. Cup finalists Manchester City ended their League programme with an impressive 4-2 away win over Portsmouth. Winger Hart scored their first goal and may get compensation for his disappointment last year when a broken leg prevented him appearing in the Cup Final. Arsenal, who were in the relegation area not so long ago, won 2-1 at Cardiff, and finished fifth in the table.

Glasgow Rangers, Scottish League Division A champions, came a cropper at home, losing to Clyde, booked for relegation, by 1-0 ,in their first home defeat in three years. Amateurs Queens Park gained promotion to Division A, but outstanding games will decide whether Ayr United or St. Johnstone, both with a game to go, and the latter with an edge on goal average, go up with the Park, replace Stirling Albion, who are down with Clyde.

The 21st final of the Rugby League Challenge Cup drew over 80,000 spectators to Wembley to watch a dour match between St. Helens and Halifax. After a pointless first half, St. Helens sparked by a try from Carlton, converted by Rhodes, in the last quarter of an hour, moved in to a fighting finish, gained another try through Llewellyn, again converted by Rhodes, and a final try from captain Alan Prescott, for 13 points, against Halifax's two, gained from a last minute goal from Griffiths. This gave St. Helens, after five Finals, their first ever Challenge Cup, and provided some compensation for not still being in the League championship race, which they had headed for best part of the season.

Aussies Win

The cricket season also opened on Saturday, and at Arundel, the touring Australian cricketers won their first fixture, a one-day match against a Duke of Norfolk XI (containing three English captains and 10 County captains) by three wickets. Lindwall shook the spectators by taking Len Hutton's wicket with the fifth ball of the first over, without a run on the board. The final scores were: Duke of Norfolk's XI, 188 (Shepherd 51, Marshall 44, Benaud six for 25, Johnstone three for 50) Australians, 189 for 7 (Craig 47, Archer 45, Marlowe three for 50).

In the All-England Hard Court Tennis Championships at Bournemouth, Budge Patty, former Wimbledon champion, defeated fellow American, Ham Richardson, 1/6, 6/3, 6/3, 6/3, to win the men's singles, while Angela Mortimer retained the title by defeating fellow Britisher, Shirley Bloomer, 7/5, 5/7, 6/1, in the women's singles final.

RESULTS: ENGLISH LEAGUE: DIV. I: Aston V. 3, West Brom 0; Cardiff 1, Arsenal 2; Chelsea 2, Blackp'l 1; Huddersf'ld 3, Bolton W. 1; Luton 2, Burnley 3; Portsm'th 2, Man. C. 4; Tottenham 3, Sheff. U. 1; Wolves 3, Sunderland 1. DIV. II: Bris. R. 1, Liverpool 2, Hull 1, Leeds 4; Leic. 3, Donc. R. 0; Notts. F. 1, Blackburn 1, Port V. 3, Midd'sbro 2; Rotherham 0, Stoke 1: Sheff. W. 5, Linc. C. 3; Swansea 3, Barnsley 1; West Ham 3, Bris. C. 0. DIV. III(S): Ald'shot 1, Swindon 1; Bournem'th 3, Leyton 1; Brighton 3, Torquay 1, Colchester 3, Norwich 2; Cov. C. 0, Reading 0; Crystal P. 1, Newp't 0; Exeter 2, Gill'gham 1; Millwall 5, S'thend 0; Q.P.R. 1, N'hampton 2; Shrewsb'y 1, Ipswich 1; Walsall 1, S'hampton 3, Watf'd 1, Brentf'd 2. DIV. III (N): Accr'gton 5, Tranmere 0, Barrow 3, Chesterf'ld 1, Bradf'd 2, Carl'le 1; Chester 0, Rochdale 0; Darl'gton 0, Southp't 1; Derby 3, Hartlep'ls 2; Gatesh'd 4, Crewe 1; Grimsby 2, Brad. C. 0; Halifax 0, South'po 0; Oldham 1, Wrexham 1; Stockp't 4, York 1; Work'gton 2, Mansf'ld 1. SCOTTISH LEAGUE: DIV. A.: Aberdeen 0, Partick 4; Airdrie 4, St. Mirren 2; Celtic 1; Qu. o'Sth. 3; Hearts 7, Raith 2; Kilm'nock 2, Dunf'line 0, Motherwell 1, Dundee 2; Rangers 0, Clyde 1; Stenh'semuir 0, Hibs. 2. RUGBY LEAGUE — CUP FINAL: St. Helens 13 pts. Halifax 2 (at Wembley).

ESHKOL

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people in full vigour" will be permitted to resettle here.

Besides absorbing new immigrants, the Finance Minister told the Zionist delegates that it will be necessary to provide employment for 60,000 breadwinners, some of them unabsorbed older immigrants, and some of them native-born Israelis who will reach their maturity within the next four years.

Mr. Eshkol told the Congress that the requested budget bore no relation to the security problems of the State or to the large financial means that are now required for the purpose.

The mobilization of additional financial means is the very core of the task ahead of the Zionist movement, he said: "We have to realize that the mere deciding on an immigration on a large scale is futile. To bring immigrants and throw them into prevailing conditions without the provision of proper means for economic absorption is bound to ruin the economy of the country and to endanger the security of the State, as well as cause suffering to the immigrants themselves."

Of the Billion Dollar Plan, American Jewry will be requested to contribute a third, while the bulk is to be borne by the Government in the form of grants and loans and by the population through increased taxation.

Mr. Eshkol explained that American Jews will be requested to contribute, in the next four years, "through the United Jewish Appeal, a sum of $40m. to 50m. over and above" present revenue, thus in fact "doubling the sum" now raised by U.S. Jewry. In addition, American Jews will be asked to provide a corresponding amount in investment dollars through the Israel Bond Drive.

ON THE AIR

FIRST PROGRAMME
322, 340, 23.3 & 42.9 M.

News, Hebrew: 7 a.m., 1.30, 7.00, 9.00 & 12.00 p.m. Arabic Programme (including News). 8 a.m., 2.15 & 6.45 p.m.

6.30 a.m. Service. 6.35 Exercise. 6.45 Musical Clock (R). 7.15 Melodies (R). 9.00 Close Down.

12.00 N. "Music at Noon": Gene Kelly (R). Concert Hall: Dvorak: Serenade in D. (Conductor: Karl Haas). Castelnuovo-Tedesco: Guitar Concerto (Soloist: Andres Segovia). Constant Lambert: "The Rio Grande" for Piano, Choir & Orchestra (with Kyla Gruenbaum — Piano.) 1.45 Light Notes (R). 3.30 Close Down.

4.00 p.m. Oriental Music (R). 4.30 "Be'Oholei Torah." 4.40 "Intermezzo" with Semprini. 5.00 Children's Hour. 5.15 Youth Programme. 6.45 Bible Reading. 7.15 Yehezkel Brown: Ten Children's Songs. R. Samsonov, Kol Yisrael Orchestra, conductor: H. Schlesinger. 7.45 A Language revived. 8.00 20 Years of Broadcasting. 9.15 Broadcast of Danny Kaye's Performance with the I.P.O. Tel Aviv. 11.15 Requests. 11.45 Light Music. 12.10 Close Down.

SECOND PROGRAMME
497, 469, 225, 216, 42.9 & 23.3 M.

English News: 1.45, 10.15 p.m. French News: 2.00 p.m.

IMMIGRANTS' HOUR: 5.30 p.m. Programme for Yemenites. 5.45 Hebrew Lesson for Ulpanim. 6.00 Folk Songs. 6.30 French. 7.00 Yiddish. 7.30 Ladino. 8.00 Persian. 8.15 News in Easy Hebrew. 8.30 Rumanian. 8.45 Hungarian. 9.00 Close Down.

KOL ZION LAGOLA (23.3 M.): (South Africa Programme): 6.30 News. 6.40 Newsreel. 6.50 Oriental Folklore in Music — I. 7.00 Yiddish Programme.

11.15 p.m. News. 11.25 Newsreel. 11.45 Oriental Folklore in Music. 11.45 Easy Hebrew Conversation.

ARMY PROGRAMME (44.6, 216, 225 & 228 M.): 6.30 Opening. 6.35 Requests (Hebrew Songs). 7.00 News. 7.10 "Light Music." 7.30 Among the Flags. 8.00 Weekly Symphonic Concert. Works by Brahms, Beethoven and Barber. 9.00 News. 9.15 Dance Music. 10.00 Close Down.

B. B. C. HEBREW BROADCASTS: (16.79, 19.42, 16.96, 25.15 M.): 7.30-8.00 p.m. News. News Talk. Echoes from the World.

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• Exhibitions:—

Defence industry exhibition, open every day, including Saturdays, between 9 a.m.-1 p.m. and 4-9 p.m., at Binyanei Ha'ooma. Admission free.

Ex Libris Exhibition, Printer's Union Club Rooms, Rehov Hebron, (near Government Printer). 10-1, 3-6 p.m.

1) Watercolours and drawings by Mrs. Adele Seligman. 2) Books by the Printer Maurice Jacobs, Philadelphia. 3) Jewish Painters of the Paris School. Exhibit of the Month: Wooden Shield of Trobiand, from the Museum's Samuel Dubiner collection, Bezalel, 9-1, 3-6.

Permanent exhibition at the Department of Antiquities. Temporary: New finds from the excavations at Beit Shearim and Maayan Baruch. 9-1, 3-5.

1) Jerusalem Artists Spring Exhibition. 2) Selected Arts and Crafts of Jerusalem (in honour of the 24th Zionist Congress). 3) During the Congress, daily tea at 5 on the Panorama Terrace. Artists House, 10-1, 4-7.

Watercolours, Gouaches and Oils by M. Levanon. Nora Art Gallery, 9 Maimon, 10-1, 3-6.

1) On the occasion of the 24th Zionist Congress, the Permanent Exhibition of "Conquest of the Desert." 2) Hatzor finds in the Entrance Hall. Guided tours: Sunday, Tuesday and Thursday between 4-6 p.m. Conquest of the Desert grounds.

• Film Shows:—

Two films: "Vézelay" and "Rhenish Art (Isenheim Retable)" Bezalel, 8.45.

• Music Circle:—

Beeri Club — Mr. Menahem Avidom presenting his works, 9 Alharizi, 8.45.

• Tours:—

Hebrew University conducted tour. New Administration Building. Opposite Terra Sancta. 10 a.m.

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• Exhibitions:—

1) Paintings by Braunstein, Berstein and Milstein; 2) "De Profundis", Paintings by Patients of the Government Mental Hospital, Acre. Museum, 10-1 and 4-7 weekdays, and 10-1 on Fridays and Saturdays.

Paintings and Drawings by Zeev Wiesenfeld. Z.O.A. House. 10-1, 4-8.

Z.O.A. House from 10 a.m. to 8 p.m. — Contemporary American Prints and Ehrlichman Aquarelles.

• Theatre:—

Cameri, "The Italian Straw Hat" Mograbi, 8. "The War of the Sons of Light," New Cameri Hall, 8.

Habimah, "Hostages," 8.

Danny Kaye, Z.O.A. House, 8.30.

HAIFA

• Exhibitions:—

Recent Acquisitions. Antiquities: Jewish, Greek, Roman, Museum of Ancient Art. Town Hall, 10-1. "Selected works of art from private collections in Haifa." Fortnightly exhibit: Wooden Cat by R. Lehman. Museum, Town Hall, 10-1, 4-7.

RAMAT GAN

• Theatre:—

Do-Re-Mi, "Money, Money, Money," Rama, 8.15.

MUSIC. — Isaac Stern, famous American violinist, left the U.S. yesterday for a four-week tour of the Soviet Union on the invitation of the Soviet Ministry of Culture.

Tel Aviv Stock Market

APRIL 29, 1956

Pop. Loans 1949/69 (IL10)	97½
3½% Tavei Dollar	69
6% Comp. Loan 56/67	65½
3½% War Loan 56/59	87½
3½% Gov. Bds. (large)	98½
4% Reg. Sterling "A"	94½
4% Reg. Israel Currency "B"	97½
Pal. Bearer Bds. Ser. ?	94½
Bk. Leumi ord.sh. d)	199½
A.P.B. Investm. ord. sh. "B"	103½
Gazit ord. sh. "B"	95½
Ellern's Inv. ord.	153
P.E.C.Inv.ord."B" b.d.	200
Gen. Mortg. Bk.ord.sh.	73
Binur 6% debs.56/65	98½
Nir 6% Debs.(bearer)	92½
5% pref. sh.	89½
Pass 6% debs.40/64 reg.	79½
"Isras" 5% debs.	82½
I.L.D.C. ord.sh.reg.	107
5% debs.	85
Afr. Pal. Inv.ord.sh.	75½
Rassco 6% pref.ord.sh.d)	88½
Pal. Potash 6%pref.sh.	202
"A" ord. shares	108
Pal.Elec.pref.sh.(Ldn.a)	280
6½%P.E.C.Debs.87/64	101½*
	106½**
Mehoret pref.sh.	76
Ata ord. "B" sh.	114½
6-8%con.debs.	94½
"Kurdaneh"ord."B"	118
7%con.debs.59/68	92½
Moller-Dee ord.sh.reg. y)	825
Pal.-Brewery 8%con.sh.	79½
Assis Bejerano"B"sh.	132
"Teva" ord. sh. d)	105
Nesher 6% debs. "A"	105
Pal. Cold St. 7% debs.	133
ord.sh.reg.(full div.)	212
Pal. Centr. Tr. 8% debs	97

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Cinemas

JERUSALEM

At 3.30, 6.30 and 8.30 p.m.

ARNON: Frou-Frou.
EDEN: Men of the Fighting Lady.
EDISON: Battle Cry.
ORION: Helen of Troy, 2nd week.
ORNA: Mademoiselle Nitouche, 2nd week.
ORGIL: Marty, 3rd week.
RON: Laughter in Paradise, 2nd week. Matinees: Spartacus.
STUDIO: "Les Amants du Tage," 4th week.
TEL OR: Rigoletto.
ZION HALL: The Bridges at Toko-Ri, 2nd week.

TEL AVIV

At 3.30, 7.15 and 9.15 p.m.

ALLENBY: Carmen Jones.
CHEN: To Catch a Thief, 3rd week.
EDEN: Awara, 7th week.
ESTHER: Interrupted Melody, 2nd week.
MOGRABI: The Card. Matinees: Street of Shadows.
OPHIR: "Futures Vedettes," 2nd week.
ORION: East of Eden, 6th week.
TAMAR: The Green Scarf, 3rd week. Matinees: Up in Arms.
SHDEROTH: Love is a Many-Splendored Thing, 7th week.
YARON: Ulisse.
ZAMIR: "La Vie d'un Honnete Homme," 10th week.
TCHELETH: Picnic, 6th week.
ARMON DAVID: Julietta.
MIGDALOR: Indiscretion of an American Wife.

HAIFA

MAY: The Strange Lady in Town.
PEER: "Il Brigante di Tacca del Lupo.
GAL OR: Ninotchka. Matinees: The Fighter.
AMPHITHEATRE: The Lieutenant Wore Skirts.
ORAH: "Sinfonia d'Amore."
ARMON: "Pane, Amore e Gelosia." Matinees: Red Riding Hood.
EN DOR: Demetrius and the Gladiators.
ORLY: "L'Ennemi Public No. 1."
MORIAH: It Started with Eve.
ORION: To Hell and Back, 3rd week.
ATZMON: Blackboard Jungle, 4th week.

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HAIFA: Balfour, 1 Massada, 2289. Hakohav, 26 Wadi Salib.

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TODAY

JERUSALEM: Dr. Abeles, 11 Ussishkin, 2688. Dr. Greenfeld, Melisanda, 3590. Dr. Sgan-Cohen, Merhavia, 3334.
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HAIFA: Dr. Bilski, 7 Ehud, 2198. Dr. Ludwig, 24 Shivat Zion, 67417.

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JERUSALEM: Dr. Romanoff, 11 Arlosoroff, 61217. Dr. Greenwald, 22 Yehoshua Bin-Nun, 62963. Dr. Kra'ka, 25 Abarbanel, 5087.
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Natanya	88	57	93	59
Tel Aviv Kirya	85	57	93	58
Tel Aviv Port	87	58	90	64
Lydda Airport	84	56	97	62
Jerusalem	81	50	91	54
Beersheba	91	53	97	57
Eilat	98	66	100	67

*A) Humidity at 8 p.m. B) Minimum temp. C) Maximum yesterday. D) Maximum temp. expected today.

ARRIVALS

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Dunits of Reading, Pennsylvania, leading personalities in the Israel Bond Drive in the U.S., for a brief visit; Mr. M. Harnik, of the Olympic Committee of Israel, returning from Europe, (by T.W.A.); 10 immigrants from the U.S.S.R. and three from Hungary, including a 16-year-old girl and her parents, (by El Al).

THE REGISTRATION of children for kindergartens in Tel Aviv began yesterday and continues until May 9.

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THE SEVENTH railcar for the Israel Railways arrived yesterday from Germany aboard the s.s. Daniela Borchard. Last week, the tenth General Motors Diesel locomotive arrived from the U.S.

Soldier Killed In Road Accident

RAMLE, Sunday.—A 19-year-old soldier was killed and a 16-year-old girl was injured in an accident on the Nes Ziona-Tel Aviv road today.

The soldier, Rebbi Hasa, who had no driving licence, was at the wheel of a car which had been reported to the police as stolen. The girl, Ruth Krishilov, of Nes Ziona, was sitting beside him, when the car overturned near the Beit Dagon turn and landed in a ditch.

The wreck was discovered after some hours by a truck driver, who took the two to hospital. The soldier died on the way to the Tsrifin military hospital. The girl, who was only slightly injured, was taken to Assaf Harofeh Hospital. *(Itim)*

800 JAFFAITES GET NEW HOMES

Jerusalem Post Bureau

TEL AVIV, Sunday. — Eight hundred contented householders watched Mayor Haim Levanon open their new housing quarter in Jaffa today, in the presence of several town councillors, both coalition and opposition, as well as representatives of the private Building Contractors Organisation.

This is the first housing scheme to be fully planned, executed and engineered by private building companies, and not by the Municipality. The entire scheme, which was completed in exactly one year, cost IL.400,000, including roads, sewerage, fencing and electricity network, and was supervised by Mr. M. Rosengarten and Dr. R. Hoff.

The 30 neat, white buildings contain four flats each, with separate entrances which lead to a half-dunam garden, divided equally among the tenants. Some of the eager householders, who formerly lived in tin huts in Givat Temarim, have already planted flower and rock gardens.

The Government has provided a mortgage of IL1,600 for each family, and the Municipality and the Building Contractors Organisation another IL.650 each. Dwellers paid IL1,460 in cash for one and a half rooms, and another IL1,180 for the second room. The Custodian of Enemy Property supplied the site.

In inaugurating the new quarter, the Mayor declared that he felt it a debt of honour to house permanently the 400 families still living in tin huts in Givat Temarim, although he could make no promise.

Young Infiltrator Returned Home

RAMLE, Sunday. — Israel authorities today returned a 15-year-old infiltrator to the Jordan police at a meeting at the water pump near Latrun. The young infiltrator was caught wandering through the fields of Kfar Nehemia, near Lydda, three months ago, and was sentenced to three months in prison by the military court for infiltrators.

A U.N. Observer was present at the exchange. *(Itim)*

40,000 Workers To Build Fortifications

Jerusalem Post Bureau

TEL AVIV, Sunday.—Nearly 40,000 workers from all over the country are expected to celebrate May Day on Tuesday by giving a helping hand on defence works in border settlements. Instead of marching in the traditional May Day parade, factory workers, clerks, and other city workers will change their usual tools for pick and shovel.

In the nerve centre of the operation today, a special Histadrut committee meeting at the Agricultural Centre were making the final arrangements to ensure that every border settlement receives sufficient volunteers. Earlier, it had submitted lists of the settlements to Labour Councils which today were busy organizing transport and obtaining some of the tools needed.

The volunteers will leave at about 6 o'clock on Tuesday morning in buses and trucks, some of them provided by the settlements themselves. Three hundred settlements have been listed for help, and from 60 to 200 volunteers will arrive at each of them. The day's work will finish at about 2.30 p.m., when the volunteers will return to begin May Day celebrations in their home towns.

In order to make full use of the day, the organizers have seen to it that volunteers visit settlements nearest them and have set a maximum travelling time of two hours.

Unity Demonstration

The day is also being used as a demonstration of solidarity between town and country workers, and in some settlements, joint meetings and celebrations have been arranged. Mr. M. Yehudai, head of the campaign, told *The Jerusalem Post* that the turnout of volunteers is about 50 per cent of those available. Labour Councils could have called on more if the settlements could cope with them, he said.

In Tel Aviv, the Labour Council has aimed at bringing out 10,000 volunteers. Assembly points for the exodus to 90 settlements have been arranged and it is planned that actual work will begin at 8 a.m. On their return to Tel Aviv, the vehicles will assemble at Rehov Hatayasim in Yad Eliahu and will then proceed with flags flying to Allenby Road.

Hundreds of meetings and celebrations have been called throughout the country. On May Day morning, most towns are holding special celebrations for children.

Over 1,500 Beersheba workers will leave for work in 45 border settlements on May Day morning by transportation provided by local Histadrut enterprises.

About 2,000 workers in the Sharon region will join the volunteers. Among them are members of the Secretariat of the Kfar Saba Communist Party.

The staff of the Histadrut Executive building, led by the Histadrut General Secretary and members of the Central Committee, will send May Day working on fortifications in Moshav Shafrir, scene of a recent *fedayeen* attack, and in levelling a site for a printing school to be named after the Shafrir victims who were murdered in the attack. Among the group will be Mr. A. Harzfeld, M.K. and Mr. Zalman Shazar, M.K.

Settlements throughout the Jerusalem Corridor will be the scene of feverish activity tomorrow, when more than 5,000 Jerusalemites arrive to put in a day of work on fortifications.

Among those who have signed up for the stint are the Minister of Education, the Mayor of Jerusalem, the Director General of the Foreign Ministry and the President's aide.

The volunteers are to leave at 6.30 a.m. and to return at 5.30 p.m. Upon their return, they are to march through the heart of the capital to Histadrut Square, where they will be received by members of the Jerusalem Labour Council.

Transportation has been donated in many cases. Hamekasher has put 15 buses at their service free of charge, and has charged for another 15 buses.

On Friday evening, Mr. Mordecai Namir, Secretary of the Histadrut, addressed a mass meeting of Jerusalem workers on May Day in the Edison cinema in Jerusalem.

Children Hurt When 10,000 Cram Haifa Garden to See Kaye

By YA'AKOV FRIEDLER

HAIFA, Sunday. — Well over 10,000 children crowded into Gan Ha'em on Mt. Carmel this afternoon to give a royal welcome to Danny Kaye. But their great expectations were frustrated by disorder and a swarm of photographers and V.I.P.'s and their wives, who surrounded the artist and blocked him from their view.

After three hours of waiting, the children pushed forward as far as they could. In the scramble, a number of them fainted and some were injured as they were pushed underfoot, but there were no serious casualties. Disaster was avoided by a hair's breadth.

The children got only a glimpse of the artist who tried hard, but failed, to overcome the general muddle and hysteria. He gave up after a few attempts and left the park by a side exit.

The event was originally planned to give the schoolchildren of Haifa and vicinity, aged 10 years and up, a chance to meet Mr. Kaye. From 2 p.m., bus loads of children streamed into the park, and by 4 o'clock there were over 10,000 youngsters on the roped-off lawns.

Smaller Children

However, besides those for whom the event was intended, hundreds of much smaller children, parents, relatives of the teachers and officials, occupied the places nearest the stage. By 5 o'clock the crowd stretched for several hundred metres away from the small stage, with those behind unable to see anything, pushing forward for better view. Many of the teachers left their charges in a scramble to find a good place for themselves, as did dozens of policemen and municipal inspectors.

It took only a few onlookers in front to stand up to throw the whole show out of gear with those behind getting up and many propelling themselves forward by their elbows.

Just after 5 p.m., the artist arrived at the main gate of the park, at the farthest end from the stage. His entry at the head of the youth band was turned into a mad rush to the stage, surrounded by dozens of constables and followed by the V.I.P.'s, the youth band playing as they ran. Immediately, the crowd all along the way burst through the rope barriers and tried to get as near the stage as possible.

Once on the stage, Mr. Kaye was closely surrounded by a large group of photographers, the Mayor and Mrs. Abba Khoushy, the Secretary of the Labour Council and Mrs. Y. Almogi, members of the Municipal Coalition and others who hid the artist as efficiently as any stage curtain.

Then, another scramble forward took place, with children fainting and the smaller ones being trampled. Because of the pushing, they could not all be transferred to the first aid station and many began crying and screaming. Shouts of "sit down," "get back," "don't push" from the crowd and the stage continued during the entire show.

Looks Like Kibbutznik

Danny Kaye was dressed in a *kous tembel*, khaki trousers and shirt, sandals and an open grey pullover. He looked just like a *kibbutznik*, and was obviously tired enough to have come from a spell of watch duty in a border settlement. Only when he turned to the crowd did he manage to put a smile on his face, which was greeted with laughter by those near enough to see, especially when he took off his sandals and shook out the sand. After he had been welcomed by a little boy, and two Municipal and Hapoel dance groups had gone through a performance to which no one paid any attention, but which gave the pushers added time to forge ahead, Mr. Kaye tried to take the stage.

"I hope that the next time we'll be able to speak with each other," he said. He then tried to calm the crowd by starting a soothing melody, but in vain. He began again, with a Hebrew song, "Land of Milk and Honey," but did not get very far over the general hullabaloo. He tried again with "Thumbelina," but got through only one verse, before declaring "This is hopeless." He made a few more unsuccessful starts before leaving the garden by a side gate.

When the children noticed that they had been cheated of their treat, the scramble to get home started. Trees were broken, and shrubs trampled down.

Some 300 persons crowded into City Hall for two hours were disappointed when Mayor Khoushy told them that Danny Kaye could not attend the reception which the Municipality had planned for him at 10 p.m. because he was exhausted after a hard day's work. Mr. Kaye also gave a show today at Dolphin House, Shavei Ziyon, for Jewish, Christian and Moslem children from Acre.

President Receives 8,000

Jerusalem Post Reporter

Thousands of persons from all over the country, representing every rank and station in Israel, called upon President Ben-Zvi yesterday at the Kirya Garden in Jerusalem to congratulate him on the occasion of the State's anniversary of independence.

The reception, which is generally held on Independence Day, was postponed until yesterday since the President was viewing the military parade in Haifa on that day.

More than 8,000 persons filed past the receiving line, often five and six abreast. The President and Mrs. Ben-Zvi often stopped those they knew personally for a brief chat.

The President personally greeted members of the Jewish Agency Executive, the Diplomatic and Consular Corps, delegates to the Zionist Congress, and representatives of the Ministries, Army, Police, religious denominations and of the Arab, Christian, Druze and Bedouin communities. Because of the Ramadhan fast and the need to be home by sunset, many Moslem Arabs did not attend.

At various times, the President was helped in receiving the guests by the Foreign Minister and Mrs. Sharett; Mr. Josef Sprinzak, the Knesset Speaker; and the Mayor of Jerusalem and Mrs. Agron. Mr. Ben-Zvi's Aide, Sgan-Aluf Josef Carmel, was present.

A sharp, cold wind whipped the numerous flags flying in the garden. Scattered over the spacious grounds were several refreshment tables. Music was provided by the Police and Defence Force Bands, the Kol Yisrael Orchestra and a Bokharan music group.

Orthodox Member Quits Haifa's Coalition Board

HAIFA, Sunday. — The Hapoel Hamizrahi Councillor, Mr. Y. Levanon, today resigned from the coalition management. The decision was taken for him by his party's leaders who held a post *mortem* on yesterday's demonstration of protest against the opening of the Industrial Exhibition on the Sabbath, in which 22 police constables and about 10 demonstrators were slightly injured.

Mr. Levanon said that his party could not remain in a coalition that ignored the wishes of the orthodox members of the population.

Today, two demonstrators, Amram Shitreet and David Maloul, were still in police custody. Four others were released on the intervention of the City Councillor, Mr. Y. Katz, (Poale Aguda Israel), who promised that they would report to the police tomorrow.

Mr. Katz is understood to share the sentiments of his colleague, but is not so keen to resign from his post as Deputy Mayor. Further developments in the issue were held up by the arrival of Danny Kaye in Haifa.

The question of the Sabbath demonstration was brought up "unofficially" at yesterday's Cabinet meeting, the Government spokesman said in reply to questions.

He said that the Government had decided not to intervene.

It is understood that the Minister of Labour was asked whether the Exhibition's employees had been granted a Sabbath work permit and replied that they had not.

Court Rejects State's Application on Yarkoni

TEL AVIV, Sunday. — The District Court today rejected the Attorney General's application to invalidate the claim of Mr. Y. Yarkoni for IL.250,000 damages from the Ministry of Defence. Dr. Zeltner, Relieving President, permitted appeal to the Supreme Court.

The Attorney General's claim that the agreement for the exchange of 400 second-hand tenders for new models was not approved by competent officials in the Ministry was countered by the defence counsel, Mr. M. Caspi, who said that the agreement had been approved by persons authorized to do so.

The Judge expressed no opinion on the Attorney General's second argument that the agreement was not a contract, but only a memorandum. He said he was waiting for fuller testimony. *(Itim)*

Italian Envoy Back From Conference

LYDDA AIRPORT, Sunday. — The Italian Ambassador to Israel, Benedetto Capomazza, the marchese of Campolattaro, who returned by L.A.I. today, said that the conference of Italy's Mid-East envoys was "very useful indeed." The Ambassador was in Rome two weeks, although the conference lasted for only two days. Italy's representatives in Israel, the Arab states, and Turkey attended.

The envoy said that the Egyptian Premier's visit to Italy had been decided upon before the conference took place. *(Itim)*

Williams Planetarium Opens On New University Campus

By MALKA RABINOWITZ

Jerusalemites will soon be able to see an eclipse of the sun every day. This has been made possible by a London banker, Mr. Walter N. Williams, who donated IL.170,000 to the Israel Amateur Astronomers Association to construct a planetarium on the new Hebrew University campus.

The inaugural performance yesterday morning was attended by President Ben-Zvi, Chief Rabbi Herzog, the Jerusalem Mayor and Professor B. Mazar, President of the University.

A Spitz apparatus will project the heavens on the ceiling of a dome-shaped room at one corner of the new building, twice a day, six times a week.

Adjoining the planetarium, which seats 100 persons in long, sloping chairs, are a reading room and library with books and periodicals on astronomical subjects, a lecture hall seating 150 persons, and a long exhibition hall. A small observatory is to be constructed in front of the building, which was designed by Messrs. Y. Gewirtman and Krakower.

The Association, headed by Dr. David Zeitchik, was founded five years ago, and has 350 members throughout the country.

Mr. Williams is a Russian-born Jew who is managing director of a bank (Palestine British) that has five branches in Israel and one in London; Managing Director of a properties firm (London and Westcliff) with 10,000 tenants in London and Managing Director of the National Insurance and Guarantee Corporation Ltd., in London.

An observant Jew, who lives in Jerusalem eight months during the year, Mr. Williams fervently believes that astronomy is necessary in the education of young people, including yeshiva boys. Besides being a source of other sciences, it lends itself to philosophical insight, he believes.

"Bring Astronomy Back to the Jewish People" might be the philanthropist's motto, in his conviction that the originators of this science were the ancient Hebrews. He is now writing a book which attempts to prove that the Egyptians were taught astronomy some 200 years before Jacob came to that country by the "Bnei Shem," who according to Mr. Williams, were a group of ancient Hebrews who fled from the Canaanites.

Lag Ba'omer At Meron

SAFAD, Sunday. — About 4,000 persons were present at the Lag Ba'omer rites at Meron today after the police had stopped all unlicensed traffic into the town.

Rabbi S. Kaplan lit the traditional bonfire at the grave of Rabbi Shimon Bar-Yohai, and small children from Jerusalem and Safad were given their first haircut there, a traditional practice believed to bring them good luck. Some 600 men from this area were not admitted, until the Mayor, Mr. A. Hacohen, intervened in their behalf. When the police finally gave them permission to go to Meron, Egged pleaded that it had no licensed transport for them. They finally went to Meron in trucks.

TEL AVIV, Sunday. — Thousands of singing children in multi-coloured, flower-bedecked clothes, and brandishing bows and arrows, danced through Keren Kayemet, Ben Yehuda, and Nordau Streets to the Independence Garden, in their Lag Ba'omer "carnival." In the garden, children from sports and youth clubs took part in dancing and pageantry competitions.

The children of the Vitkin School, who won the first prize for depicting soldiers defending nature, presented a dove apiece to the Mayor, Mr. H. Levanon to the Director of the Municipal Education Department, Dr. S. Levin, and to the Chairman of the Youth and Sports Committee, Mrs. Miriam Ben-Porath.

Prizes for the performances were distributed later by Mrs. Ben-Porath, and Dr. S. Levin wound up the ceremony.

Soviet Leaders Said 'Too Busy'

Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV, Sunday. — Marshal Nicolai Bulganin and Mr. Nikita Khrushchev were willing to meet representatives of the World Jewish Congress to discuss the situation of Russian Jewry but were unable to do so, Mr. A.L. Easterman, political director of the Congress, told the Press today.

Mr. Easterman considered that the meeting was refused because the Russian leaders were completely overwhelmed by a "slavery" schedule, squeezed into the 10 days that they stayed in London. Consequently, "quite important" Russian officials advised the Congress to submit a memorandum.

The memorandum was submitted and called for a restoration of Jewish cultural and community life in the U.S.S.R.

Neumann at Ceremony In Kfar Silver

ASHKELON, Sunday. — Declaring his pride in his name being linked with that of Dr. Abba Hillel Silver, Dr. Emanuel Neumann today laid the cornerstone of the Cultural House in the Agricultural School named after Dr. Silver.

Referring to the pupils of Kfar Silver who had opened the ceremonies with a dance describing the liberation of the Jews from slavery in Egypt, Dr. Neumann said: "It is through contact with the soil that we see the rise of a new Jew."

The Neumann Cultural House is the gift of Mr. Jack Verdi, of San Francisco, Associate National Treasurer of the Zionist Organisation of America. Mr. Maxwell Abbell, of Chicago, pledged himself to build the Kfar Silver synagogue. Mr. Max Brewster, of Chicago, has donated IL30,000 for a clinic. Mr. Turover, of Washington, D.C. — IL30,000 for a swimming pool; Mr. Gershon Fagan, of Westchester — IL8,000 towards improving the faculty quarters; and the Z.O.A. St. Paul region has pledged a recreation room.

Mr. Mortimer May, Z.O.A. President, Mr. Peretz Bernstein, M.K., and Mr. Daniell, chairman of the Kfar Silver rest home, paid tribute to Dr. Neumann.

Cables in Brief

D.P.'S. — The Soviet Union is intensifying its campaign to persuade Russian displaced persons in Austria to return home, but so far had had no success, according to Austrian official reports in Vienna, which said that only four of some 4,000 refugees from the Soviet Union have so far expressed willingness to return.

TRADE. — China and Cambodia signed a trade agreement on April 24 calling for an exchange of goods of up to £8m. both ways, Peking Radio announced yesterday.

Japanese Emperor Marks 55th Birthday

TOKYO, Sunday (UP). — Emperor Hirohito, head of the oldest reigning family in the world, today celebrated his 55th birthday.

Tens of thousands of loyal Japanese poured across the "double bridge" over the moat into the Imperial Palace grounds to pay homage to the Emperor and wish him a happy birthday.

Hirohito personally appeared on a pavilion specially constructed on the palace grounds to respond to the crowd's cheers. By mid-afternoon, 76,530 persons had entered the once sacrosanct grounds to extend their greetings, and messages of felicitations poured in from 27 countries.

The Japanese Charge d'Affaires, Mr. Kuniyoshi Negishi, gave a reception at the Ramat Aviv Hotel yesterday on the occasion of Emperor Hirohito's 55th birthday. The Minister of Foreign Affairs and diplomatic representatives of countries which have diplomatic relations with Japan were among those present.

FISHING TALKS

MOSCOW, Sunday (UP). — The Soviet-Japanese fishing talks opened here today with the Japanese Minister of Agriculture, Mr. Ichiro Kono and the Soviet Minister of Fisheries, Mr. Alexander Ishkov, facing each other across the table.

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Congress Debates Youth Aliya

Jerusalem Post Staff

Youth Aliya children are placed in an environment in accordance with the wishes of their parents, Mr. Moshe Kol, head of the Jewish Agency Youth Aliya Department, told the Zionist Congress yesterday.

Replying to Mr. Ruhak Raphael (Mizrahi), Mr. Kol said that Youth Aliya did not agree with the religious extremists in North Africa who have declared that it is better that a Jewish child perish in North Africa than receive a non-religious education in Israel.

Another reply to Mr. Raphael came from Mrs. R. Schoolman (Hadassah), who said that all decisions in Youth Aliya programmes on religious matters were taken with the consent of the religious representatives.

Mrs. Rahel Kagan (Wizo, Israel) called for increased effort in the field of cultural and educational assimilation of the immigrants in order to close the gap between the new and the veteran settlers.

Mr. Shabbtai Shichman (Herut) criticised the duplication and inefficiency of the Jewish Agency. Although most of the Agency's departments have continued to operate as they had before the State came into existence, the Political Department had been disbanded.

Noting that only 140,000 Jews had immigrated since the last Congress in 1951, Mr. Yehuda Braginsky (Member of Executive) declared that we must have immigration "to the last Jew." We should not talk about North African immigration in terms of 40,000 or 50,000 Jews: every one who wants to come here should be enabled to do so.

The urgency of immigration from North Africa was stressed by Mr. Yona Avidov (Ihud, Israel).

Mrs. Deborah Ebin (Mizrahi, U.S.) appealed for a traditional education for Youth Aliya children. Only 30 per cent of Youth Aliya wards receive a positive religious education, although 80 per cent come from religious homes, she claimed.

Dr. Miriam Freund (Hadassah) pointed out that the Youth Aliya Executive Board in the U.S., which includes representatives of every party from Hashomer Hatzair to Agudat Yisrael, works in harmony.

Mr. Ya'acov Halevi (Confederation, Britain), called on the delegates to take their Zionism "seriously" and send their children to Israel, even if only for short periods.

A flurry of cries from the floor followed the denunciation by Rabbi U. Ushpizai (Mizrahi) of the Sabbath showings in Haifa's Industrial Exhibition, which resulted in a clash on Saturday. "Is throwing stones permitted on the Sabbath?" a Mapai delegate called out. "Why do you want to impose actions that go against our conscience?" a Mapam delegate asked.

When Chairman Zerubavel pointed out later that the Haifa incident was not within the framework of Congress discussions, Mizrahi and Hapoel Hamizrahi delegates protested from the floor.

'Congress Ain't'

Speakers at the end of yesterday's marathon "morning" session (it lasted until 4 p.m.) found themselves addressing an almost depleted hall. Mr. Shmuel Yavnieli (Ihud) commented: "I'm very sorry that the things I wanted to say to the Congress are difficult to say because, in a certain sense, the Congress isn't here."

TITO VISITING USSR IN JUNE

BELGRADE, Sunday. — President Tito of Yugoslavia will pay an official visit to the Soviet Union in June, it was announced in Belgrade tonight.

A one-sentence communique did not state the exact date nor give further details.

Marshal Tito is expected to leave for France the latter part of this week.

By going to Moscow, which he last visited in the Stalin regime, President Tito will return a visit last May by the Soviet leaders, Marshal Nikolai Bulganin and Mr. Nikita Khrushchev.

FRENCH TO MOSCOW

PARIS, Sunday (UP). — A delegation of the French Socialist Party today was en route to Moscow, where it will be guest of the Soviet Communist Party until May 14.

The delegation, which numbers 15, is headed by the Deputy Secretary-General of the Party, M. Pierre Commin.

NORWEGIAN NETMEN LEAD ISRAELIS, 2-0

OSLO, Sunday (Reuter). — Norway took a 2-0 lead over Israel on the opening day of the Davis Cup first round European zone tie here.

Finn Soehoel beat Arieh Avidan 6-3, 6-3, 6-3, and Gunder Sjoswall defeated Eliezer Davidman 8-1, 6-2, 6-3.

Cold weather and a court slow and heavy after yesterday's rain marked the first day's play. Neither of the Israel players appeared to get warmed up to the game. The Norwegian players, who usually are at a disadvantage in the early matches of the season because outdoor courts here cannot be used until late in April, had obviously profited by their winter tour in India and the Far East.

In the first match, 25-year-old Finn Soehoel played much better tennis and had Avidan constantly on the run with his good placing. Soehoel fell in the seventh game of the second set and grazed his right hand and strained a finger, but after a couple of minutes he continued. Although the finger obviously worried him, he went on to win the match with little difficulty.

Israel's young left-hander, Eliezer Davidman, played a very uncertain game in the second match. His powerful first service seldom succeeded and he lacked accuracy in his otherwise strong backhand.

The second match was rather uninteresting. There were few good rallies and many love games. Only three times in the 24 games played did the score reach deuce.

EGYPT OUSTED

BELGRADE, Sunday (UP). — Yugoslavia knocked Egypt out of the completion in this year's Davis Cup tennis tournaments today as she won a singles match and the doubles play to lead Egypt 3-0 in the series.

YOUNG M.D.'S WANT BETTER TRAINING

Young physicians claimed yesterday that the University-Hadassah Medical School had not prepared them sufficiently for work in outlying settlements.

Speaking at the annual "Medical Faculty Day" in Jerusalem, they said that further training was needed in the social sciences, medical statistics and family health.

More research, laboratory and X-ray equipment were required in settlements, especially those in the Negev, the Medical School alumni declared, noting that they had become accustomed as students to excellent equipment in the School and in urban hospitals.

Yesterday marked the seventh anniversary of the Faculty, which has graduated 300 physicians, until now. At the conference which opened in the Faculty's Lecture Hall, honorary membership in the School's Alumni Association was awarded Professor A. Feigenbaum, first Dean of the Faculty, and Professors Y. Lachmann and Y. Kleeberg, both of whom helped in the establishment of the School and who are now retired.

Professor E. Wertheimer, Dean of the Faculty, reported that a new contract had been signed between the University and Hadassah, according to which the University will increase its allocation to the Faculty for the establishment of new pre-clinical departments and the expansion of existing departments.

Prizes for outstanding research work and theses were awarded during the afternoon session, at Canada Hall on the University campus. The winners are: Dr. S. Mastrin, who received the Shulman Prize for research work in bio-chemistry and Prof. Y. Michaelson — Feigenbaum Prize for research into optical medicine. Prizes to this year's graduating class went to Dr. Ya'acov Kessler — Dr. L. Doljansky Prize; Dr. Yitshak Levi and Dr. M. Ardreich — the Oscar Hirsh Prize.

The afternoon session heard a scientific lecture by Prof. L. Halperin devoted to the memory of University-Hadassah personnel who fell in a convoy to Mt. Scopus during the War of Liberation.

Greetings to the opening meeting were brought by President B. Mazar, of the Hebrew University; Dr. A. Etesh, Director-General of the Ministry of Health, and Dr. K.J. Mann, Director-General of the Hadassah Medical Organisation.

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THE role played by organized labour in the upbuilding of the State of Israel has long been a matter beyond argument, for even the most inveterate enemies of our trade unions base their opposition on the very suggestion that this sector of Israel's economy is too strong and is using its strength to become even more powerful.

THE FIRST OF MAY

The First of May is the international festival in which Labour throughout the world celebrates its achievements in building higher standards for the workers through the basic doctrine of one for all and all for one. But in Israel, unique in this as in many other things also, Labour has done more than strive for better standards for the worker. It has been the most important single factor in building the State.

In the quieter days of Zionism, which seem long forgotten amid the tense debates of the 24th Congress now sitting in Jerusalem, it was sometimes said that the ordinary Zionist gave the money for building up the *Yishuv* while Labour did the work. This was even then only approximately true, but it did contain a good deal of substance; for organized Labour in Israel pioneered a nation-wide contributory medical service and other social services on a mutual aid basis; it did, by cooperation, lay the basis of Israel's most important industries. It did give us the *kibbutz* and the *moshav*. It did go out and establish men and women in colonies in remote and dangerous places and thus make firm the subsequent boundaries of the State.

This year, the ordinary May Day celebrations have taken on a different note. Instead of the glamorous processions in the cities indicating to the masses the gains which trade union organization and solidarity have won for them, Israel's Labour is going *en masse* to the border villages to take part in the work of fortification against the attack which might soon come. This, again, is yet one more glittering example of the way in which organized Labour here puts the State before all else.

THE report on Israel's radio habits just issued by the Institute for Applied Social Research is the first scientific survey of its kind made since 1950.

RADIO HABITS

Its special value lies in the analysis of the composition of the listening public, for it draws attention to the alarming lack of listener interest among North African and other Oriental immigrants. This revelation in the report imposes an urgent duty on the Government to take steps to attract them to Kol Yisrael, for radio is a powerful force in the process of absorption. It is not their fault that such a large number of recent immigrants do not listen. The authorities are to be blamed for not educating them through the powerful mass communication medium which radio provides. The entire evening programme at the moment is designed for an Occidental audience whether it consists of cantorial music, which reflects the European synagogue, or spoken features which mirror the American ethos too greatly.

A special programme thrown in now and again will not draw the Oriental listener into listening to Kol Yisrael. Many of them, as do the Arab minority who have no local broadcast after early evening, are bound to switch over to neighbouring countries. (It is a pity that the Arab listener was not included in the survey).

The most urgent requirement of the Israel broadcasting service therefore is not a dichotomy into "light" and "heavy" services, but the inauguration of parallel evening programmes appealing to the Oriental taste. These should cover Jews from Middle Eastern countries as well as Israel Arabs. They might influence listeners from neighbouring countries who at present are entirely captivated by Egypt's powerful broadcasts. The large new transmitter, purchased with Reparations funds, should be devoted to such a service.

Indeed, this complaint apart, there is much to be proud of in our radio standards, but there is still a lot that is dreary, verbose and even crude propaganda. To abolish the bad and improve the mediocre is a constant challenge requiring just as much imagination as do finance and technical equipment.

FRENCH FEARS OVER MOROCCAN ARMY

By NORA BELOFF

PARIS (OFNS).—

ON the eve of new French talks with the Moroccans to bring about the independence of the Protectorate after 45 years of French rule, Marshal Alphonse Juin, France's highest-ranking soldier, has publicly warned the French Government against abandoning too much and too quickly to Arab nationalists. To use his own pithy phrase: "The French Government must not go into these negotiations with Munich in its skin."

Marshal Juin, who first served in Morocco in 1912, the year the Protectorate was founded, has played a major part in resisting and delaying the rise and ultimate victory of the nationalist forces. He served as Resident-General and Commander-in-Chief in Morocco in the difficult years, 1947 to 1951, when nationalism was already on the move and he represented the strong arm policy against it, trying to build up resistance from the Berber chieftains in the South.

He was succeeded by his friend, General Guillaume, who continued a similar policy, and the present French Left-wing leaders believe that Marshal Juin was principally responsible for organizing and manipulating the deposition of Sultan Mohammed V, ostensibly by a conspiracy of Berber chieftains in 1953.

Subsequently, disturbances over the exile of the Sultan, who became the symbol of Moroccan nationalism, reached the point where the strong-arm policy seemed too costly, and last year, a new French Government found it more prudent to obtain the abdication of Ben Arafa, the man they had chosen to replace Mohammed V, and reinstate the exiled sovereign and his family, granting independence in return for peace.

During this period, Marshal Juin, serving as commander of the land forces in Central Europe, kept his views on North Africa discreetly to himself, and it was with some surprise the French authorities this week read an outspoken pronouncement by him published in the extreme right-wing popular weekly, "Jours de France." The Marshal spoke, however, with a purpose, as he was able to point to a contradiction in the present Government's policies of which the authorities themselves are agonizingly aware. France, he recalled, and the present Government supports him, has as her principal duty "to uncover Algeria" against nationalist insurrection.

Help Algerians

The new Moroccan nationalist leaders make no secret of their intention of using their newly won power on the Algerian rebels' side. As if to confirm this view, Mr. Bouabid, one of the Moroccan Ministers now in Paris for the negotiations, publicly declared this week that, "the profound solidarity between Morocco and Algeria is growing every day."

Among the principal subjects of next week's discussions will be the creation of a royal Moroccan army. The Sultan has appointed his son, the Prince Moulay Hassan, as Chief of Staff, and the young Prince has just arrived in Paris to take part in the talks.

The new army, he says, will be composed partly of Moroccans taken out of the French professional army in which they are either still serving or from which they have only recently resigned, and partly of *fellaghs* forces, who, until recently, were shooting at French soldiers and killing French civilians in the protracted guerrilla warfare which preceded the granting of independence.

The Moroccans, whose finances are precarious, will be satisfied to start off with a force of only 15,000 to 20,000 men, but make no secret of their ultimate intention of replacing the French Army in defending Moroccan external and internal security.

The French are being asked to help in this task not only financially, but also in providing technicians, instructors and equipment. The Moroccans would like to have places reserved for their own cadets in French officer training schools. Their representatives are in a stronger bargaining position than Marshal Juin was willing to admit because if the French stall in assisting the Moroccan military build-up the Moroccans are convinced that they can seek alternative assistance from Spain where General Franco is trying to maintain his finger in Arab affairs, despite having found himself obliged to follow the French example and concede the Spanish zone political independence and incorporation into the Sultan's unified empire.

The French thus find themselves in a desperately anachronistic position: they are having to help build up a nationalist Arab army in Morocco incorporating units recently engaged in fighting for their independence against France. And this has to be done on the eastern frontiers of Algeria where they are committed to refusing nationalist independence and are having to send out hundreds of thousands of French soldiers to try to stamp out defenders of the very same Arab national cause.

The Huge Block of marble which this giant hand is holding up at the Even Vasid exhibit of the Haifa Industries show is 4.4 metres long and weighs 15 tons. Belgium and the U.S. are among the takers of this high-quality marble. Photo by Meyer

US Rescues Baghdad Pact

By ROBERT STEPHENS

TEHERAN.—

THE United States is a new member of the Baghdad Pact in all but name.

As one British official put it, the American decision at the Teheran meeting this month, to become a member of the Pact's economic committee and other Pact organizations has "made the difference for the Pact between still and live birth."

The meeting of the Pact Council, the second since its formation, was regarded by members as crucial for the Pact's future, in view of the diplomatic and propaganda campaign being waged against it by Communists and by Arab nationalists. This campaign, together with the shaky internal state of most of the Pact members in the area, gave a special sense of urgency to the meeting.

The marked absence of the United States from the Pact, of which she, perhaps, was the chief foster-parent, was one of the chief handicaps both to its consolidation and to any extension of its influence. But America has now advanced from the role of observer to active participant in all the work of the Pact, and since she is already closely linked economically and militarily with its individual members, it is clear that American policy has made a decisive shift. (The U.S. is an ally of Turkey and Britain through NATO, of Pakistan and Britain through SEATO, and has military and economic aid agreements with Iraq and Persia.)

Technical Aid

The U.S. has already promised to give "sympathetic consideration" to requests for technical assistance on a regional basis. The Administration's current aid programme now before Congress includes a request for appropriation of $200m. for technical aid for the region which includes the Middle East and the Baghdad Pact countries. The American initiative may also prove an added attraction to some wavering Middle East States, such as the Lebanon and Jordan, to follow suit and join the Pact's economic committee without committing themselves to the rest of its purposes.

The other striking aspect of the Pact conference was the emphasis laid on economic aims which largely overshadowed the military aspects, though some member countries, notably Turkey and Persia, were apparently anxious to keep military questions to the fore, and the British carefully stressed the equal importances of the economic and military fields.

This trend is not merely the result of international criticism of the Pact as a military instrument, but is also an attempt to deal with one of its basic weaknesses, which is the political and economic instability of the individual member countries of the area.

Conflict with Israel

The other basic weakness is the threat of disruption posed by the Arab-Israel conflict and, to a lesser extent, by the Kashmir dispute between Pakistan and India. Both these questions, and also the Algerian problem, were mentioned in the opening speeches of the Iraqi and Pakistani Premiers and discussed by Ministers in secret talks on the international situation.

It is generally recognized that the Arab-Israel conflict holds particular dangers for the Pact since Iraq is pledged to give military support to the other Arab States in the event of war with Israel.

But the conference reportedly accepted the view that an Arab attack on Israel is unlikely. *(Copyright)*

Readers' Letters

BAD CHEQUES

Editor, The Jerusalem Post

Sir, — All over the world, issuing bad cheques is an offence severely punishable by law. Not so in Israel. Here, at the cost of a few pounds, anybody may open a cheque account and issue bad cheques to his heart's content. The police will not intervene unless actual intent of fraud can be proved by the injured party — a practically impossible proposition. The only alternatives left are either to sue — a process which may take years — or to settle for part of the sum.

Too many cheques bounce in Israel. It is high time that suitable legislation be made to end this chaotic state of affairs which endangers our economy.

Yours etc.
Y. GOLDMAN

Tel Aviv, April 18.

RAILWAY TICKETS

Editor, The Jerusalem Post

Sir, — The railway authorities still seem to regard Jerusalem as a tiny village, and all improvements made on their lines come to Jerusalem months later than the rest of the country.

Here is an example. This week I wanted to try the much-advertised system of reserved seats. I went to the ticket agency in King George Avenue, where I was told that they were not entitled to sell such tickets. I accordingly phoned the Jerusalem Railway Stationmaster and asked him at what time the ticket office at the station was open for the public. I was told that it was open from 6 a.m. to 10 a.m. and from 12 noon to 4 p.m. (In both Tel Aviv and Haifa the office is open throughout the day.)

When I arrived at the station this morning at 7 o'clock I was amazed to find that the ticket office was closed. At the station I was told that the office is only open one hour before a train leaves Jerusalem — that means two hours per day, as there are only two trains. After I had argued with the official for some time, he was kind enough to reserve a seat for me for next Sunday but refused to sell me a ticket. I thus had to come a second time and to stand in a queue before the train's departure in order to buy the ticket itself.

It seems high time for the Railway authorities to introduce some streamlining into train facilities in Jerusalem if they are really interested in attracting passengers.

Yours, etc.,
GIDEON WEIGERT

Jerusalem, March 26.

Railway Replies

Because of the small number of trains which leave Jerusalem, the ticket seller at the railway station is employed only part-time and there is no justification for the employment of a full-time worker.

Arrangements for the sale of reserved seat tickets at agencies are in preparation and we hope that this service will be inaugurated within a few weeks. It will then be possible to purchase such tickets in Jerusalem at all hours of the day.

We regret the inconvenience caused to your correspondent and hope that the new arrangement will satisfy him.

H. AHARONOVITZ,
Public Relations Officer,
Israel Railways.

Haifa, April 12.

Yesterday's Press

Nothing New

EVERYTHING remains as it was before the Soviet announcement and the Bulganin-Khrushchev-Eden talks, write Ha'aretz (non-party) and Lamerhav (Ahdut Ha'avoda): a plethora of arms for the Arab countries and a strict embargo on arms to Israel. How this squares with "an agreement to maintain peace in the Middle East" is for the composers of the communique to explain. While we do not know what else has been discussed in London or what conclusions have been reached, we do know that the Arabs' threat to Israel will not slacken as long as they get arms that are withheld from us.

We have already seen, writes Hatzofeh (General Zionist), how the call to Soviet Russia to stop sending arms to the Arabs has been met with the despatch of the minesweepers to Egypt. It will be most dangerous for us to try to find convenient interpretations of the Anglo-Soviet "agreement" and we must not assist the powers to lull us into rosy "peace-is-round-the-corner" dreams.

While Davar (Histadrut) echoes these sentiments, Omer (Histadrut) adds that the Anglo-Soviet statement should be seen in the light of the things left unsaid as well as those expressed even though with a certain amount of obscurity. The one thing that is clear is that London has accepted Moscow's right to a voice in Middle Eastern affairs. And while on the face of it, this statement, together with Mr. Hammarskjold's efforts to ease tension should go far to allay Isr.-el's misgivings, we should not be deluded into thinking that peace is in the offing.

Free Immigration

Lashing out against the principle of selective aliya, Herut points out how the desperate Jews in Moslem lands have put their trust in the State's representatives who have deluded and disappointed them. If the Zionist Congress can save these Jews and prevent a new catastrophe, that achievement will be its reward.

Discussing the Industrial Exhibition at Haifa, Al Hamishmar (Mapam) writes that the ultimate aim is not to give an artistic idea of our manufactures but rather to show how the raw materials at our disposal can best be used for the production of first-class yet cheap articles that will find themselves a place on the world markets. This will greatly enhance our exports and at the same time narrow our imports to the benefit of the country's economy.

Hamodia (World Aguda) has severe criticism for the police who broke up the Orthodox anti-Exhibition demonstration in Haifa and warns that religious Jewry will continue the fight to clean up the city which has been converted into a "nest of desecration" by the ruling clique.

Israel's Listening Habits

Report Recommends More Features with "Majority Appeal"

THE Institute for Applied Social Research has just turned in an impressive 90-page report on the listening habits of Israelis. A similar survey was carried out on a smaller scale in 1950 but much has changed since then.

Over 2,000 adult Jews were interviewed for this new report, and the first major finding is that 58 per cent of the population listen to Kol Yisrael regularly as compared with 42 per cent in 1950 (in fact the latter percentage is probably even exaggerated as the survey then did not cover the new immigration). The main concentration of listeners is to be found among the better-educated, old-timers, sabras and settlers of European origin. In kibbutzim it reaches 90 per cent. The number is far lower among new immigrants (22 per cent for those of North African and Middle Eastern origin) especially in the *ma'barot* (only four per cent).

Galei Zahal Popular

Listening is almost entirely confined to the home, and radios in communal halls, etc., make little impress. Forty-nine per cent of the population listen regularly to Galei Zahal, though this programme can only be heard within a limited radius around the three main towns.

By far the most popular feature are news bulletins, which attract almost half the population. The evening bulletin brings 48 per cent of the population to their sets and the easy Hebrew edition 18 per cent, while 37 per cent of the people never listen to news on the radio. Foreign language newscasts attract the following percentages: Yiddish — 16; Ladino — six; English — four; French and Rumanian — three; Hungarian — two; Turkish — one; Persian — 0.3. A very encouraging factor is that the number of listeners to non-Hebrew broadcasts is steadily declining.

Second in popularity to news comes music, to which 30 per cent of the population listens regularly. The proportion among Jews of oriental countries is much lower. Request features (led by Hebrew songs and cantoral music) are very popular, with six per cent participating actively by submitting requests. Light music (32 per cent) attracts many more listeners than classical music (12) and the report suggests that more time should be devoted to the former.

"Noah's Ark"

Slightly behind music come features classified as "entertainment." Unlike music, these make small appeal to listeners of southern and central European origin. The outstanding feature at the time of the poll (last autumn) was "Noah's Ark" (31 per cent regular listeners), followed by "Twenty Questions" and the Saturday Night Quiz (26 per cent).

Lagging in the rear, but not far behind "entertainment," comes the "spoken word." Here the outstanding series is "Curtain Up," with a figure of 56 per cent. The most popular type of spoken feature is the religious, interesting 23 per cent, followed by the informative (15), literary (12) and scientific (10). In this section of the report, many series have been lumped together and the picture is not quite clear.

Among the miscellaneous facts that have been accumulated is that broadcasts from Haifa interest very few listeners: even among Haifaites only eight per cent listen in to them regularly. The programmes for Yemenites are heard by 27 per cent of the Yemenite population. Five per cent of the country's inhabitants follow the Hebrew lessons consistently and three per cent hear the language corner. Ten per cent tune in for early morning gymnastics (although the number who obey the instructions is not stated). One per cent is all that the chess feature attracts, while eight per cent hear the morning programme for housewives and three per cent tunes in to "Working Woman."

Suggestions by those interrogated included advance information on details of broadcasts, especially through a radio journal; rebroadcast of the main Sabbath features on weekdays for the benefit of religious listeners; an earlier news bulletin in the morning for workers who leave home before seven; more news about events in Eastern Europe; more Sephardi cantoral music; more time for the Saturday quiz, so that the questionmaster should speak more slowly; more humour; less esoteric literary items; and the introduction of broadcasts for schools.

"Oriental" Programmes

The report itself suggests various conclusions. One is the introduction of special programmes directed specifically to listeners from North Africa and the Middle Eastern countries (on the analogy of the series for Yemenites). Another suggestion relates to the overall structure. The key feature being news, and the least popular the spoken programmes, the report says that to achieve the maximum audience, the pattern to be adopted should be news — music — entertainment — spoken word — news etc. or else spoken word — entertainment — music — news — spoken word etc. It also states that to interest more people in the spoken features, greater use should be made of dramatizations, magazine programmes and short items (similar to the Newsreel, which is particularly popular).

The report and its findings have been welcomed by the Director of Kol Yisrael, Mr. Harry Zinder, and have formed the subject of extensive consultations. It was unfortunate that the poll was made on the eve of extensive programme reorganization, so that a few aspects are already outdated while other recommendations (e.g. more light music) have already been implemented.

Eight Newscasts

The structural suggestion has been accepted and will form the basis of a new schedule shortly to be announced. Thus there will be an increase in the number of news bulletins, which will soon be heard at 6.30 a.m., 7, 1.30, 4 p.m., 7, 9, 11 and midnight. The number of dramatizations in literary features has already increased and an effort will be made to step up this type of programme. In the past, each feature tended to appeal to a minority. Now the object will be to attract a general audience and to keep them tuned to Kol Yisrael. The demand for Israel music reflected in the report will be met by a new daily series. It is also intended to have one major "entertainment" item each evening, more public service features and more round-table discussions.

These changes will be executed within the framework of the current budget by the more efficient exploitation of personnel and the encouragement of greater specialization among the radio staff. For financial reasons, it will not be possible to conduct another survey for a considerable time, but a questionnaire is being circulated among Arab listeners so as to glean an idea of the popularity of the Arabic programmes, which were excluded from the current report.

AUDIO

End of Season at Jericho

By DAVID SPURGEON

JERICHO.—

MEMBERS of the joint British-Canadian archaeological group at the excavations here have concluded a highly successful season. Some members of the party have already left for home.

Some major discoveries have been made during this fifth season at Jericho. Chief among them were the great ditch outside the pre-pottery Neolithic city walls, the staircase within the defensive tower which is the world's earliest example of stone architecture, and the evidence which shows that both of these achievements belonged to an even earlier group of people than the archaeologists realized before.

The famous city walls which, according to the Biblical story, fell to Joshua, have not yet been found, but much further evidence of man's cultural beginnings has been turned up, and will supply the world with valuable information about the beginnings of civilization.

The mass of evidence must be evaluated with careful study after the dig season has finished. The closing down of an archaeological expedition is a big operation. At Jericho, the Jordan Government has the right to keep for its museums any objects found. It gives others to institutions with an interest in the expedition.

Because of the interesting results which these past five seasons of digging have produced, and because of the importance of the Jericho site, dig director Kathleen Kenyon and assistant director Dr. A. D. Tushingham, hope that another season can be carried on next year. But that depends upon the availability of funds.

Mr. Spurgeon's despatches from Jericho have appeared in The Jerusalem Post by arrangement with the "Toronto Globe and Mail."

At the Cinema

"HELEN of Troy," running for a second week before capacity audiences at the "Orion," (J'lem) gives no screen credit to Hesiod or Homer. The script writers, in any case, have shown no more respect for the Iliad than they usually have for the Bible. None of the admirable research effort that went into the Italian production of "Ulysses" can be detected here.

The Trojans are honest defenders of their freedom. The Greeks use Roman siege engines. A map shows Troy as a part of Turkey. It's just a Hollywood romance retaining some names, but not a single line—there are some surprising quotes from Marlowe — from Homer's immortal tale.

Jack Sernes is an idealised Paris, who all but won the Trojan War, but Rosanna Podesta was more convincing as little Nausicaa in "Ulysses." As Helen she would hardly launch anything more than the wolf-calls of a squad of marines, let alone a thousand ships.

Jet Seen

"The Men of the Fighting Lady" (Eden, J'lem) is something like a second instalment of "The Bridges at Toko-Ri." In fact, there are so many points of similarity that one wonders why the two films are shown at the same time.

The photography of the aircraft carrier and her planes in action is near-perfect and the human stars—Walter Piggeon, Van Johnson and Kenan Wynn — rather recede into the background. Louis Calhern appears in the part of James Michener, the author of the "Saturday Post" serial on which both films are based.

If it was its aim to show the tragic futility of the Korean War, the film admirably succeeds in its purpose.

Our Air Force Publicity was not well advised to show the tiny "Israel Jet Pilot" film on the same bill.

Th.F.M.

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Jerusalem Art Notes

News and Views

IN order to give the Congress delegates a comprehensive idea of Applied Art in Jerusalem, a well-chosen collection of "Jerusalem's Arts and Crafts" is exhibited at the Jerusalem Artists House.

Stars of the show, in my opinion, are Ruth Cidor-Citroen, B. Harel and a distinguished guest, Kahana of Ramat Gan. Harel's terracotta figurines are a most amusing and really clever parody of the country's Canaanite Astartes and other most ancient clay idols — millennia imagery seen through 20th-century eyes. Cidor-Citroen's rugs, handwoven from Israel wool, are really original in design, gay in colour and exemplary in execution. Kahana's pottery is startling in form and colour, but there is nothing forced about his work, which always remains organic in its craftsmanship. Every piece, moreover, is technically perfect.

Gumbel and Volpert exhibit the distinguished silver goods which have made them internationally famous. Gumbel, Baer, and Tass worthily represent Jerusalem's outstanding silver jewellery, whilst captivating costume jewellery in plastic, ceramic and mosaic is shown by Zahara Schatz, Harel and Elcheiberg.

Liebes, with well-made rustic pottery in strong colours, and Blumenfeld, with painted tiles and plates, are newcomers to the Artists House. Julia Kainer has enlarged her fine exhibit of lovely handwoven shawls. Well-made textiles are also shown by Beit Hahalutzot.

Our young mosaic school is represented by Eichelberg and Hanreck. There is brass work by Volpert and Teppich, and beaten copper by Bezalel Schatz. Objects of olive wood from the Cohen Workshops round out a pleasant exhibition.

Elkan's Menora

THE decision to place Benno Elkan's Menora, Jerusalem's first public monument of artistic importance, in the hollow near the Knesset, is a Solomonic solution with some merits. The unsightly "Shiber Crater" has been turned into a beauty spot and the gift from Britain stands next to the Knesset building which is much too small to house the monumental candelabrum.

This provisional solution naturally has its drawbacks. Elkan's Menora is two-dimensional, meant to stand against a wall or against the sky. The houses above the crater are a most unsuitable background.

The Menora should most decidedly be moved about three metres back, so that it stands close to the rock face, which should be covered with greenery.

First Art Auction

THE first Art Auction ever held in Jerusalem — the sale of pictures donated by the Capital's artists for the Defence Fund — brought results which should be noted by our artists. The pictures offered were of a high quality and the public had the double incentive of buying them and at the same time giving money for defence, yet only two sales crossed the IL.300 mark, although at the studio neither artist would have agreed to sell for double that price.

One of Europe's outstanding art dealers once told me that he thought half of a University professor's monthly income a fair price for a fine, large picture by a well-known artist. If our artists could forget about imaginary "exhibition prices" they would be surprised how many pictures they could sell.

Woodcraft

AN EXHIBITION of olive woodcraft is being shown at the Mendel Cohen Workshops in Tel Aran. The execution is uniformly good. There are some fine pieces of wood-intarsia furniture by Maurice Darbois and highly amusing figural panels by Susanna Heyman. However, neither design nor artistic quality have as yet reached the standard of the late Schwerin or our master-turner Baenger. The latter, if he does not want to produce commercially any more, should at least transmit his great know-how to some pupils.

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REGISTRATION FOR THE 1956/1957 ACADEMIC YEAR

Registration of students for the academic year 1956/1957 will begin on May 13 and end on June 22, 1956.

Application for admission forms may be obtained at the office of the Dean of Students, Technion, P.O.B. 4910, Haifa.

Tel Aviv-Jaffa Municipality

Dear Citizen

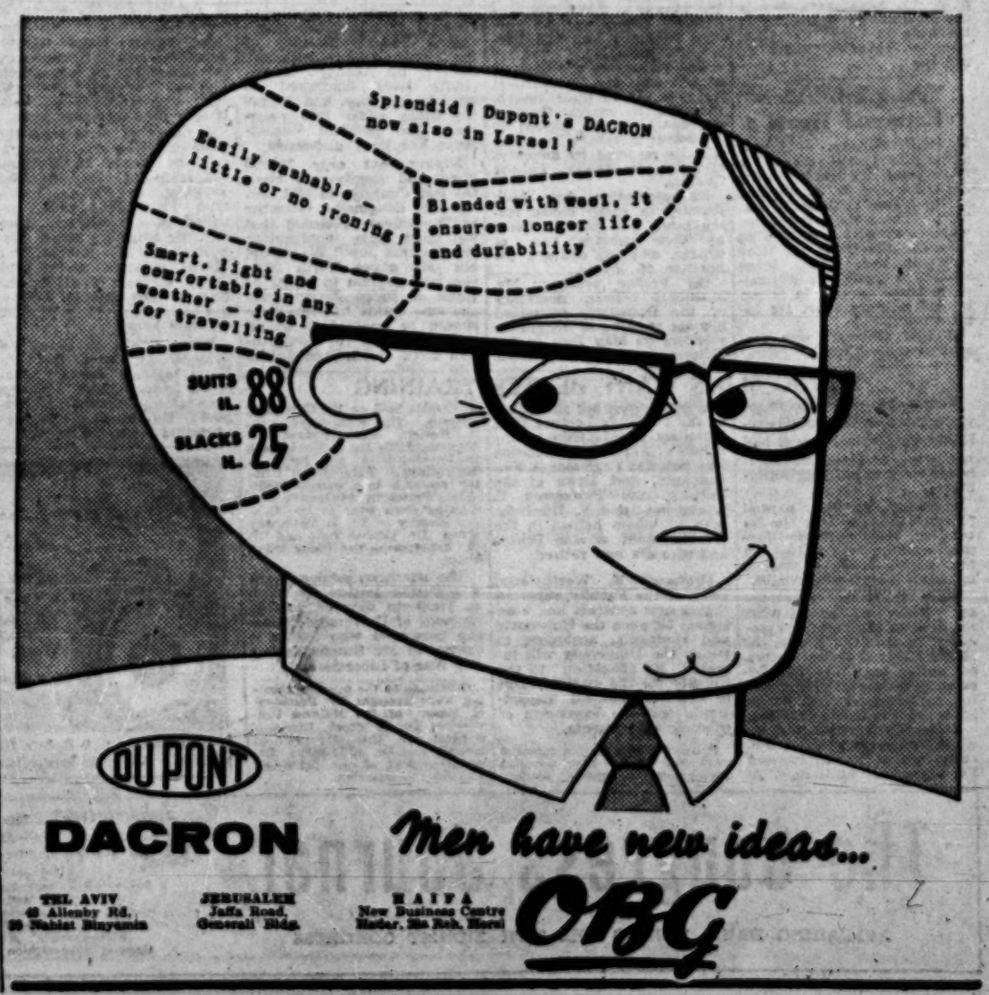
In accordance with a Municipal Council decision, persons who have not paid the taxes due on March 31, 1956, have been given an opportunity to pay their debt until today, April 30, 1956, without the additional 20% fine.

There will be no other postponement and any sum not paid by the a/m date will be liable to the 20% fine.

The Municipality does not wish to impose fines, and the public is therefore requested to pay their debts immediately and avoid extra expenses.

HAIM LEVANON,
Mayor

April 1956.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